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Careless driving cost the life of a tiny baby

A WOMAN'S failure to see an approaching car led to the tragic death of a tiny baby, a court has heard.

Four-month-old Logan Pye died in hospital two days after the vehicle he was in hit a lorry head on.

On Thursday at Bedford Magistrates' Court, Sharon Cashman, 50, of Ampthill, Bedfordshire admitted causing the death of the baby by driving without due care and attention.

At around 3.25pm on December 18, she pulled out of the junction in Ampthill on the B350 to the A507.

Her Honda Civic collided with a Vauxhall Astra which then hit the flatbed lorry, which was travelling in the opposite direction.

The incident occurred at around 3.25pm.

Logan from Bletchley, was in his child seat in the back of the Astra. He was taken to hospital but his life support machine was switched off at Great Ormond Street on December 20.

His father Joshua who was driving the vehicle suffered a fractured leg and Logan's mother Hannah had fractures to her back. Their daughter Phoenix, who was 18 months old, suffered bruising.

A life cut short: Logan Pye

Prosecuting Lynne Gavins said: "Mr Pye said he started to brake but his main aim was to move to the right of the road to avoid the collision.

"He said that after the collision Phoenix was crying and Logan looked at him and then just collapsed.

"CPR was tried on the baby.

"You can't begin to imagine the impact it's had on the lives of the family. We say that the failure of Mrs Cashman to see the car was the catalyst for the collision."

A motorist who was travelling behind Cashman's Honda Civic before she pulled out said that the view out of the junction was clear.

Cashman, whose 14-year-old daughter was in the car with her at the time said that the Astra was travelling at a 'huge speed' despite the prosecutor saying that it was travelling between 59-63mph and the speed limit was 60mph.

Defending her, Ian Hope said that Cashman has shown remorse and was in shock after the collision.

He said: "She is a respectable woman in the community. For whatever reason she hadn't seen the car which is why she's pleaded guilty. If she did see it she has misjudged the speed."

He told the magistrates he thought it was 'momentary inattention' and tried to persuade them to sentence Cashman at the magistrates court.

They disagreed and Cashman was released on unconditional bail to appear at Luton Crown Court next month for sentencing.

After the hearing, Joshua, Logan's father, said the family wanted to thank all the emergency services and members of the public who helped on the day of the incident.

His mother Hannah, 21, said: "Logan will be very missed and it has torn our hearts apart he got taken away from us. It shouldn't have happened."

Sharon Cashman: She will appear in court next month after pleading guilty to causing the death of four-month-old Logan Pye by driving without due care and attention

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Tyre recycler to check city sites

A BUSINESSMAN whose partners include Hollywood stars Mel Gibson and Bruce Willis could be bringing his rubber recycling project to the city.

Datuk (Sir) Vinod Sekhar, one of Asia's richest men, is planning to use Milton Keynes as the base for the British arm of his environmentally friendly scheme.

Sir Vinod is behind green technology designed to recycle a global mountain of more than 600 million used tyres per year using a cutting-edge process which can turn old and potentially toxic rubber into new products.

Shoes giant Timberland is already producing footwear made with Sir Vinod's Green Rubber.

Currently the 'green rubber' is produced in Malaysia.

But now the 41-year-old tycoon has plans to expand globally.

At the weekend he popped into Milton Keynes to meet his close friend Ron Newton, an oil company executive, living in Old Farm Park and Bryan Rimmer, a journalist from Middleton.

He is now planning another visit to check out possible locations for a plant that could employ 150 people.

Mr Newton, who has known Sir Vinod for more than 20 years, said "I don't think we should get too carried away, because Vinod is looking at several possible sites, including the North East of England. But it would be great if he did set up here."

Oxley Park homes plans thrown out

BY LAURA HANNAM
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THE council has thrown out plans to build eight new homes in Oxley Park.

Residents in a packed public gallery at Milton Keynes Council's development control committee on Thursday night cheered as councillors turned down Persimmon Homes's application to build houses on an area of open space in the estate.

Councillors heard residents and parish councillors' concerns over the loss of a green area which is popular among children.

One resident said he had promised a park to his sons when he moved to the estate and had been told by the developers it would be provided.

James Coles, from Harlow Crescent, said: "This is already a very urban and enclosed street and these proposals will make it far worse."

Campaigners also complained that a grade two listed farmhouse on the site should not have been allowed to fall into disrepair.

Councillors unanimously rejected an application to build seven homes on the grounds that the designs included rear court-yard parking, which is no longer favoured by the council, and did not follow the advice of crime prevention officers.

The committee also refused an application by Persimmon to demolish the remains of the listed farmhouse to construct an eighth property, saying the new home should better resemble the former building.

The developer said it is committed to the project at Oxley Park and is considering its options.

Steven Hird, development director at Persimmon Homes Midlands said: "We believe our proposals met the expectations of our prospective purchasers and had the backing of local planning officers.

"With regards to the listed building on site, this was inherited in its current state, as part of Persimmon Homes' acquisition of Westbury Homes.

"We understand that the building was highly regarded and are currently seeking planning permission to replace the remains of the building with a sympathetic and suitable structure."

One of the petitioners against eight homes being built at Oxley Park

MP calls for local benefits heath centre

A MEDICAL examination centre may be built to stop people applying for incapacity benefit having to travel outside Milton Keynes.

MP Dr Phyllis Starkey has called for the Government to open a centre in the city as many people claiming incapacity benefit have no car and find it difficult to use public transport to travel for a medical examination.

The nearest centres are in Aylesbury, Luton or Marylebone in London.

A letter sent to Dr Starkey from the Department for Work and Pensions has confirmed that Atos Healthcare, which carries out the medical examinations, has been told that the provision of a centre in Milton Keynes is 'urgent' and two potentially suitable premises have been identified.

Dr Starkey said: "It is unacceptable that constituents with disabilities should be expected to make long journeys on public transport to Aylesbury when the required medical examination could be done here in MK."

Department for Work and Pensions figures reveal that all 3,302 people with Milton Keynes postcodes that applied in 2008 for employment and support allowance, which replaced incapacity benefits in October, had to travel outside the city.

Weekly warden visits replaced with phone call

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE
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ELDERLY people who get weekly visits from council wardens will have to make do with a phone call instead.

Staff holidays and sickness mean Milton Keynes Council has suspended its weekly visits to those who have signed up for wardens as part of the successful community alarm scheme.

Of the 4,000 people signed up to this scheme, which allows them to have a buzzer to buzz for help, more than 900 benefit from the additional visiting service.

Anita Rose, 68, from Great Linford has subscribed to the service for eight years.

She wondered why her warden had not seen her for several weeks. But when she asked the council, they told her there is no-one available to visit her anymore.

She said: "A lot of elderly people are very vulnerable and they welcome the wardens' visits to check they are OK.

"It's the best thing that the council has ever, ever done. I've been very lucky over the years, I've had lovely wardens.

"When they told me they won't be visiting us anymore, they will just be speaking to us on the phone, I couldn't believe it.

"These wardens not only check your phones, and check you are alright – to many OAPs they are an extra friend."

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>
> – Anita Rose

A council spokesman said this is the first time this has happened.

"Because of staff shortages due to the holidays and some staff being off sick, some of the visits are not happening at the moment. However, we are calling residents once a week instead and if any resident wants someone to drop in they should just give us call."

Peter Ballantyne, chair of Milton Keynes Pensioners' Association, said: "Wardens are essential for the most vulnerable people, the elderly, frail and disabled. Nationally we are seeing these services being cut back. That's why we are fighting it."

Fined for paying too much to park

A MOTORIST was given a fine for paying too much for a parking ticket.

Phil Gepfert, a property developer from Milton Keynes Village, returned to his Aston Martin parked in the city centre on May 28 to find a Penalty Charge Notice (PCN) demanding payment of £40.

Mr Gepfert had purchased a premium rate ticket costing £1.50, although he had parked in a standard rate bay on Silbury Boulevard.

The PCN stated the vehicle had been parked 'without clearly displaying a valid pay and display ticket or voucher'.

After contacting Milton Keynes Council earlier this month, Mr Gepfert was informed he was liable for a £60 fine due to his refusal to pay the original fee.

The council supplied photographic evidence which showed the clearly displayed ticket, but an attached letter explained an incorrect ticket had been purchased.

Mr Gepfert said: "It's bizarre that someone can be charged for overpaying their parking fee, rather than the other way around."

After an approach from this newspaper, a council spokesman said the fine had been cancelled.

Violent crime and smoking deaths in city significantly worse than national average

IF you live in Milton Keynes you are more likely to die from smoking, have obese children, be a victim of violent crime and get low GCSE grades.

That is according to the NHS 'health profile', published last week, which compares the city's health and well-being to the rest of England.

Aspects 'significantly worse than the English average' include violent crime, tooth decay for children under five and deaths from smoking. There are more than 270 such deaths in the city each year.

Of the 32 criteria that comprise the health profile, the worst in Milton Keynes is the category of 'physically active adults'.

It is estimated that only seven per cent of adults are physically active.

'The level of violent crime is high in Milton Keynes,' it adds.

In its summary, it says: 'There are significant health inequalities within Milton Keynes', noting that men who live in the more deprived areas die seven years earlier than those living in the least deprived areas.

'GCSE achievement is low, and childhood obesity levels are high,' it adds. However, the rate of hip fractures in over-65s is among the best in England.

Also better than the English average are deprivation, children in poverty and homelessness.

A spokesman for the Primary Care Trust said: "The PCT recognises where improvements need to be made and is concentrating its efforts accordingly.

"For example, while the number of physically active children is positive, the high number of obese children and the low number of physically active adults is a concern."

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Let's have locally designed estates – for local people

SIR – Rather interestingly we have just toured a couple of new estates and, without exception, developers are revising plans as fast as they possibly can.

Going are the apartments, going are the single car slots, going are the high prices.

I would now like to meet Lindsay Richards to comment on her 'bigger picture plans for MK'.

How can we possibly have any confidence in the entire administration which put this doomed strategy together.

No-one could ever say that it has worked and the sooner it is called to a halt before any more damage is done the better.

Heads should roll and roll quickly.
Alan Preen
Sent by e-mail

Let's hope green 'wheelies' don't lead to the 'bin police'

SIR – Am I the only one in Fishermead not to have noticed the recent arrival of green 'wheelie' bins outside every residence bar the corner flats?

I notice that they are not destined for use until September, that they have separate compartments for two different types of rubbish, but that no more bags would be collected.

I have two rolls of council-issue pink bags and the same number of black bags besides another of each that I am currently working through.

At the rate I use them and given my age (I am 66) I could well be dead by the time I get anywhere near the end of those I have.

In view of reports I read in the national press featuring someone being penalised for putting the 'wrong' items in the bins, I hope MK Council is not planning 'bin police'. They would be as welcome as the Gestapo.
Barry Gowland
Penryn Avenue, Fishermead

■ SIR – When are we in MK going to be free from MKP's misguided ideas about what new estates should look like?

This 'rethink' proves that it hasn't got a clue.

Isn't it about time the Government pulled the plug on this inept quango and left the planning to elected council members?
David Hale
Sent by e-mail

■ SIR – With regard to the re-design of Broughton (MK NEWS, last week).

It's good that, finally, notice is being taken of the people who live there – but what a shame that the grass verges have to be sacrificed to the incompetence of the original designers of the space.
Kathy Luff
Sent by e-mail

■ SIR – Your several correspondents (Letters, August 19) are only partially right in blaming MKP for inflicting 'city streets' on us.

As a quango reporting to central government, MKP was never going to understand what makes MK special, until the new management team of local people took over very recently.

However, a big share of the blame should go to the council's Lib-Dem administration, which has for many years been implementing an anti car-owner agenda, of which the 'city streets' are just one part.

Perhaps even worse, it suppressed any informed discussion when it really mattered by a campaign of misinformation in its leaflets that a 'city street' was just the 'new name' for a grid-road.

MK deserves better.

Only the Conservatives are committed to defending and extending grid-roads and to building enough parking spaces in new neighbourhoods for the residents' needs, while encouraging people to leave the car at home for at least some of the family's journeys.
Cllr John Bint
MK Conservatives

New reversing law?

SIR – This is the second time in four weeks that a pensioner has suffered a head injury after being hit by a car reversing out of a drive in Bletchley/Fenny Stratford.

Is it time to review the law on reversing out of a driveway?

The previous victim, Redvers Burt, died, I hope that this lady recovers.
Jane Fallon
Sent by e-mail

In defence of MP Mark

SIR – After reading Brian Edmunds letter regarding Mark Lancaster as an MP, I feel I must also make a comment.

Seeing Mark and Iain on the rowing machines at the latest gym to open to the public, could you honestly see anyone from the Government using one of those, or even wearing a red hair net when opening an operation line at Coca Cola locally?

When I was queuing up in the city centre Post Office recently, there were two OAPs in front of me, criticising Mr Lancaster saying that he had not done enough to prevent two sub Post Offices from closing.

'Now he's overseas having a good old holiday, staying in five star hotels', one said to the other.

What I say to all of you who think that is: Mark is a fighting soldier who, as part of his allocated holiday, spends weeks in a year in Afghanistan on the front line. He also has recently spent time in two impoverished countries 'slumming it'.

Have we heard of any of his parliamentary colleagues from any party doing anything like that?

If you have had the pleasure in meeting Mark, you will see he is not a swindling, lying MP who does not care about his constituents. He is an extremely pleasant, genuine, understanding man who will find time to listen and talk to you.
Lynne Carter
Heelands

Make NHS better

SIR – When someone claims the NHS is a '60-year mistake' it's easy to dismiss him as a loon.

But when that person is a Conservative politician, recently re-elected to represent Milton Keynes in Europe, it touches all of us.

Does this elected representative really represent us?

From talking to residents, I sense this Tory MEP speaks for very few who live in this patch.

What most of us want is to protect and enhance the NHS, not dismantle it.

The NHS is far from perfect, but it is very good compared with some of the alternatives, including the example set by the USA.

Rather than another round of endless change and reorganisation, what the NHS needs is a period of stability and a chance for the well-paid managers to sort out the problems and make it better.
Jill Hope
Lib Dem Parliamentary Candidate
MK North

Redway record

SIR – With regard to the letter in MK News, August 12, headlined 'Rubbish redways' I would like to put the record straight about our redways and encourage readers to get in touch with the council if they are aware of any parts of the redway network that need attention.

Milton Keynes can rightly be proud about its redway network, but it is also true that more can and should be done.

There has been some major investment recently in improving our redways which has included new redways to and within CMK, new signage and landscaping changes near junctions with more improvements planned subject to funding being available.

The first key cycle route has been introduced alongside the V6 to improve facilities for residents who want to choose a sustainable means of transport to CMK.

The way the Government funds roads, etc, means it does not recognise and fund redway maintenance.

If you are aware of any problem on a redway whether litter, broken glass, a dumped shopping trolley, overhanging shrubs or a pothole please help by reporting it to the council so it can be dealt with. Report it online or call the cycling officer on 257926.
Cllr Mike Galloway
MK Council cabinet member for environment

Plastic poo bags

SIR – My wife and I are fed up with seeing small plastic bags of dog poo deposited under the bushes near to the play park between the Snail Park and the redway near Berberis Close in Walnut Tree.

This disgusting practice has been going on for some time now and the council have dealt with it once. The police and the Neighbourhood Action Group are aware of it but it still continues.

There are at least two 'doggy bins' not too far away so why they are not utilised? I do not know.

Perhaps those responsible are unaware that their actions if caught will attract a much higher fine than if they allowed their dogs to do their business and leave it to be washed away by the elements.

Perhaps if they read this letter they may come to their senses and stop what they have been doing and use the bins provided – or take their dog mess home.
Brian Hall
Berberis Close, Walnut Tree

Pumping up prices

SIR – The Government takes around £50billion a year in tax from motorists.

Vehicle fuel is taxed over five times the going rate for carbon – something that would cause a riot if it was extended to domestic gas and electricity bills.

Yet fuel duty is again due to rise by 2p per litre in September.

Around £8-9billion is spent on roads, and not always wisely – leaving many road surfaces dangerous to road users. It is time for the Government to realise that over 30 million of us have votes.
Brian Gregory
Chairman, Association of British Drivers

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Appeal over wind test mast refusal

BY LAURA HANNAM
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PILOTS have warned that an energy company's plan to build a mast between two airfields is 'dangerous'.

Campaigners against Ecotricity's proposals to construct a 70metre high mast to test wind speeds at Salcey Green, Stoke Lodge Farm, near Stoke Goldington were victorious last week when Milton Keynes Council threw out the application.

But the company has submitted an appeal which means the decision is set to be reviewed by the planning inspectorate.

Derek Beevor, a helicopter pilot who flies from a helipad at his home nearby, spoke at the council's development control meeting on Thursday.

He said that the mast, a silver pole five inches in diameter with steel stabilising ropes, would be almost impossible to see from the air and a threat to aircraft flying low to land or ascend.

He added: "I have been flying for 25 years and I know that this mast is dangerous. The risk can't be ignored."

Derek Beevor with a map of the safe area around his helipad at Woodland Lodge – he claims the proposed wind test map will be a danger

Peter Harvey, chief executive of the Light Aircraft Association, which owns a private airfield next to the site, added that the mast would force aircraft to re-route and fly low over the M1, risking distracting drivers. "It is one of the busiest motorways in the country, it is not sensible," he said.

Ecotricity, which is interested in erecting 18 wind turbines on the site, wants to install the mast to collect data on wind speeds until May 2011.

The application was refused by councillors on aviation safety grounds.

Dale Vince, managing director of Ecotricity said: "The council appointed an independent aviation expert who concluded that this mast would cause no problems.

"Despite that members of the committee resolved to turn the application down on aviation grounds.

"It just doesn't make sense to us. We are taking the application to appeal."

Anthea to play Fairy Godmum

TELEVISION celebrity Anthea Turner is to star as the Fairy Godmother in this year's pantomime at Milton Keynes Theare.

The TV presenter will join Bobby Davro and Louise Dearman in the production of Cinderella coming to the theatre from December 4 to January 17.

Elizabeth Adlington, chief executive of Milton Keynes Theatre said: "We are thrilled to announce that Anthea will be joining our all-star cast and we are sure she will bring a genuine magic and charm to the role of Fairy Godmother."

To book tickets (£17-£29) call 0844 871 7652 or visit www.ambassadortickets.com/miltonkeynes

Students celebrate A-level results

MORE students are off to university as the city celebrates a glowing set of A-level results.

Milton Keynes' schools are in line with the national pass rate of 97.5 per cent.

Ousedale, with three students achieving five straight As, had the highest percentage of A and B passes.

Ninety percent of Year 13 students at Denbigh will be heading to university this autumn.

Leon is celebrating a 97 per cent pass rate, while 80 per cent of economics students at Lord Grey achieved A and B grades.

At Shenley Brook End seven students received straight As – as did 20 students from Stantonbury Campus.

The Radcliffe School reported a 100 per cent pass rate this year and at Walton High, 18 students got three or more As.

Two students from St Paul's Catholic School are on their way to Cambridge University.

Cllr Sandra Clark, MK Council cabinet member for children, said: "On behalf of the council, I would like to extend my congratulations to all students who have received their results today. Well done also to school staff for their strong teaching, support and guidance."

Buses to replace trains over bank holiday weekend

ENGINEERING on the rail track means many people will have to take buses over the bank holiday.

The work will renew around 200m of track near Wolverton and replace points as part of Network Rail's latest £1million programme of engineering improvements.

On Saturday, buses will replace trains between Hemel Hempstead and Milton Keynes Central, and again on Sunday, August 30.

On Bank Holiday Monday, until 1.30pm, train services between London Euston and Milton Keynes Central will run to a special timetable based on a Sunday service.

After that time, train services between London Euston and Northampton will run to an increased frequency.

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Vickki the Maxx

Winner: Vickki Bradfield-Mullenger

Argos worker walks away with £250 after becoming MK's 'Savviest Shopper'

BY XENIA RIMMER
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MK's Savviest Shopper has been found.

Vickki Bradfield-Mullenger, 32, from Bradwell Village, took part in the TK Maxx competition, run together with MK NEWS, and was the winner of the title and £250 to spend in the store.

Armed with only £50 and her own creative talent, Vickki, an account executive at Argos, competed against other finalists, Ellen Potter and Jayne Mark, in the challenge to find the best outfit to showcase TK Maxx's bargains.

The winning outfit was a retro novelty T-shirt, teamed with a tailored blazer and black scarf.

The competition was held to mark the opening of the new store, which has moved into the former Woolworths premises in thecentre:mk.

The store, which has created 80 jobs, sells designer fashion, home and gift items at prices up to 60 per cent less than the recommended retail price.

Lucy McGonigle, spokesman for TK Maxx, said "There was so much buzz around the store opening, we are delighted to have opened our doors to share our designer bargains with Milton Keynes. It is a great location for a TK Maxx and we are confident that shoppers will never tire of our big labels for small prices."

Life ban for woman who let dog starve

A WOMAN has been banned from keeping animals for the rest of her life after she was found to have let her dog starve.

When Linda Billingham, 32, took her dog Holly to the vets in April, it was so emaciated that it collapsed, and was later put down.

Ms Billingham, of Kingsfold, Bradville, admitted causing unnecessary suffering to the black collie cross.

On Friday she was also given a 12-month conditional discharge and ordered to pay £150 in costs by Milton Keynes Magistrates' Court, in a case brought by the RSPCA on Friday.

When Ms Billingham took Holly to a veterinary surgery in April this year, she claimed she had found the dog in the road.

Starved: Collie cross Holly

After Holly deteriorated overnight, vets had to put her to sleep to prevent her from suffering further.

It was concluded she was suffering as a result of starvation.

Ms Billingham later admitted that she had looked after the dog for three to four months.

Personal and health problems were cited in mitigation.

RSPCA inspector Kirsty Hampton said: "This dog had clearly been suffering for some time and deserved, at the very least, to be provided with enough food and water.

"This sentence means that animals will not have to suffer in the same way in future."

Design a birthday card and win goodies

JOHN Lewis is celebrating its 30th year by inviting children to design a birthday card.

The winner of the birthday card competition will be invited to John Lewis' children's birthday party in the Milton Keynes store's restaurant – The Place to Eat – on September 11.

Children up to 12-years-of-age are asked to simply design an amazing birthday card for John Lewis.

The winner will also receive £100 worth of goods from the department store.

Entries close Friday, September 4 and need to be submitted to the John Lewis Gift List department on the second floor.

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The meeting will start at 7.30pm and finish at 9.30pm.

Light refreshments will be available. Parking is free and we can arrange transport if necessary.

Places are limited so please call Kat to book your place now on **01908 679250** or e-mail: get.involved@milton-keynes.gov.uk

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China treatment working for Jake

Disabled boy's balance and eyesight both improved after just four stem cell injections

BY LAURA HANNAM
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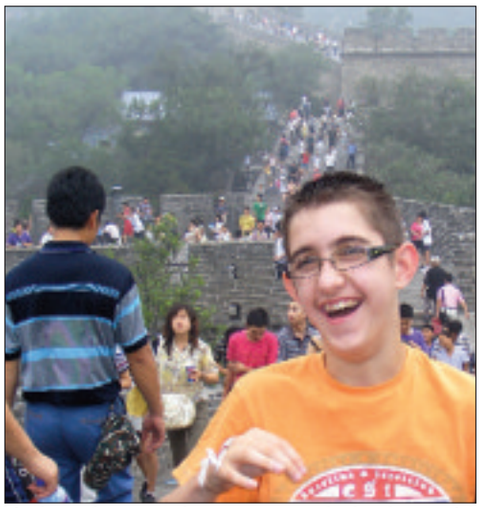

Jake Leonard on the Great Wall of China

A DISABLED boy who has travelled to China for stem cell treatment has already seen improvements in his mobility.

Thirteen-year-old cerebral palsy sufferer Jake Leonard, from Kilwinning Drive, Monkston, returned from Beijing on Thursday, August 13 having received four stem cell injections with physiotherapy, hydrotherapy and acupuncture.

After five weeks of treatment at Tiantan Puhua Hospital his father, Stuart, told MK NEWS that Jake, who is wheelchair bound and has limited movement in his right arm, has seen some 'small improvements already'.

He said: "Jake's sitting balance has improved along with some increased movement.

"Also his eyesight seems to have improved as he has not asked for his glasses for two weeks now.

"The stem cells can take six months or more to fully develop so it is still very early and we have a lot of hard work to do once we return to the UK to continue the progress that Jake has made.

"Part of the progress is also due to the daily therapy that Jake receives; this has resulted in increased range of movement in his legs which are now nearly straight."

Jake, who attends Oakgrove School, suffered brain damage when he was born prematurely at 32 weeks and was diagnosed with cerebral palsy at eight-months-old.

The treatment was funded by more than £24,000 raised by his parents through the 'Just Jake' campaign, launched in July 2008.

Stuart added: "We would like to thank everybody who helped us to raise the huge amount of money that was needed to get Jake here.

"We hope he will see more control, balance and increased movement in other areas as the stem cells develop."

■ For updates on Jake's progress visit www.justjake.me.uk

Fire engine crashes on way to emergency

A FIRE crew escaped injury when a fire engine crashed on the way to an emergency incident.

The rescue pump from Great Holm Fire Station carrying four firefighters was travelling along the V4 Watling Street towards Stony Stratford shortly after 9am on Monday when it left the road at the Calverton End roundabout.

The crew was on its way to a fire in an empty fuel tank at the Jet Garage in London Road, Stony Stratford.

Area manager Denis O'Driscoll said: "Thankfully there were no serious injuries to any of our own staff and no other people were involved.

"Another appliance was quickly dispatched to attend the incident.

"This is a very rare occurrence. Officers from Buckinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service have begun an investigation into the collision and will be assisting Thames Valley Police with their investigation."

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The Stables in top 10 of UK music venues

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE
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Stage 2 at The Stables

MILTON Keynes is home to the sixth best music venue in Britain.

That is according to a survey by the Performing Rights Society (PRS) which ranked The Stables above even the Royal Albert Hall in its Top 100 Music Venues list.

The Wavendon venue, which has played host to stars such as Amy Winehouse, Nigel Kennedy and Chrissie Hynde, was given the news on Monday.

The survey is compiled using the number of PRS returns – meaning the Stables is putting on more music than most places in the UK.

It shares its place in the top ten, which is topped by London's Southbank Centre, with other revered venues such as St Martin-In-The Fields, Wigmore Hall and the O2 Academies in Oxford and Birmingham.

Monica Ferguson, chief executive of The Stables, said: "This is fantastic news for The Stables and for Milton Keynes. To be recognised as one of the UK's leading music venues alongside the likes of The Southbank and The Sage in Gateshead pays tribute to the huge volume of concerts we present and the significant audiences we are attracting from across the UK."

In 1968 a stable block was converted into a concert venue by John Dankworth and Cleo Laine.

It was rebuilt in 1999 and now includes a second performing space – Stage 2. The not-for-profit organisation, which also runs education projects and comedy nights, is run by more than 250 volunteers.

It has an annual turnover of around £1.3million of which around 80 per cent is earned income. Around £250,000 comes from fund-raising.

Sally Abbott, director of arts at Arts Council England in the south east, added: "We're absolutely delighted that The Stables has been ranked alongside some of the UK's major music venues.

"We are proud to have supported the venue over many years and would like to congratulate Monica and her hard-working and passionate team for this well deserved accolade."

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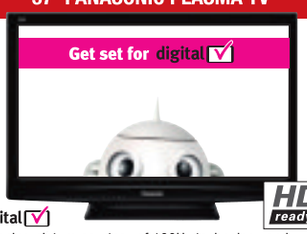

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Bletchley Park worker was a 'true gentleman'

BY LAURA HANNAM
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TRIBUTES have been paid to a 'true gentleman' who was an archive worker at Bletchley Park.

Christopher King, 58, was found dead in his home in Laurel Close, Crown Hill on Tuesday, August 11.

He worked at Bletchley Park as a part time archivist for around four years.

Simon Greenish, director of the Bletchley Park Trust, said: "Christopher was one of a small number of dedicated enthusiasts working in our archive department.

"He was an extremely pleasant man, quiet and dedicated to the work he was doing. He was a true gentleman.

"His death was a great shock and is a sad loss to Bletchley Park."

An inquest, opened on Friday, heard that Mr King suffered from schizophrenia and depression and was under the care of mental health services.

He was discovered on his sofa by a psychiatric nurse when she visited to give him his weekly medication. Emergency services were called and he was confirmed dead at the scene.

The inquest was adjourned until December to await the results of a post-mortem.

Bus in collision

FIREFIGHTERS released a woman from a car after a collision with a bus.

Crews from Great Holm, Broughton and Newport Pagnell were called to Midsummer Boulevard in Central Milton Keynes on Monday at 12.50pm.

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A spokesman for Thames Valley Police said the woman driver of a silver Honda Jazz involved in the incident suffered minor injuries.

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£43,000 cost of animal care trial

BY LAURA HANNAM
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A WOMAN has been banned from keeping animals after failing to provide adequate care to a pony and four rabbits.

After a ten-day trial, which cost the RSPCA £43,000, Susan Gough, 41, from Hastings, Stony Stratford was found guilty of causing unnecessary suffering to a pony and two rabbits and of failing to meet the duty of an owner to ensure the welfare of four rabbits at Milton Keynes Magistrates Court on Thursday.

The court heard that her pony called Kitty, kept in a field at School Lane, Yardley Gobion in Northamptonshire, had severely overgrown feet when it was found by RSPCA inspector Nickie Cook on November 7, 2007.

It was examined by a vet who said it had been suffering for about six to eight weeks from 'significant pain'.

During a visit to Gough's home address in Stony Stratford two days later Miss Cook found four rabbits in hutches in the garden.

The rabbits were inspected by veterinary surgeon Jennifer Millington who told the court that two had to be put down as their teeth had overgrown and dug into their tongue and cheek.

Susan Gough leaves court after being found guilty of not caring for a pony and four rabbits

They were also underweight and all four rabbits had 'extremely overgrown nails'.

Gough, an unemployed single mother with two children, also owned four shetland ponies, a mare and six small dogs at the time.

She told the court she noticed Kitty had long hooves, but did not think it affected her quality of life.

She said: "I had no concern over Kitty. She would just run about like a normal horse."

She added that the rabbits seemed their usual selves and she had bought nail cutters, but not got around to using them.

District Judge Maitland-Davies, sentencing Gough, said: "No one has suggested that you were deliberately cruel to animals, it is more a case of inadequacy in dealing with them."

He prevented Gough from appealing against the ban for three years and ordered her to pay £500 costs to the RSPCA.

The four dogs she currently owns will now be rehomed.

A spokesman for the RSPCA said the costs built up by the case, which was expected to take four days but was adjourned twice, is not unusual.

She said: "We have to make decisions on whether to take cases based on a whole number of factors, but cost isn't one of them; we have to make sure that where an animal may have suffered, other animals will not subjected to the same treatment."

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Bargain store moves over road to Woolies

Andrew Clayton, right, with his son James and his wife Nikki outside the old Woolies

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE
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THE empty Woolworths store in Newport Pagnell has found an occupier.

Pound & Bargain, a 'market stall under one roof' which occupies two shops over the road, will move to the larger High Street store next month.

Newport Pagnell resident Andrew Clayton, who founded the shop in 1995, said the lease was signed this week. They are hoping to make the move by mid-September.

"The empty Woolworths is ideal for us," he said. "People said to us why don't you take it, and we thought, why not? It will allow us to expand our ranges. We are customer led – we sell what the customers ask us to. We are an Aladdin's cave, we are everything to everybody. Some people describe us as a market stall under one roof."

The new venture will see him co-own with one of his six children, James.

However, Brian Hunt, chairman of the Newport Pagnell Partnership, said it does leave a problem.

"It's good news they're expanding in the town," he said. "The downside is that there will be two empty shops which will need filling. Every town in the country has empty shops, but we've always prided ourselves on the fact that every shop is filled.

"However they are of a more manageable size so we hope to see them filled fairly quickly. We just hope it won't be a charity shop."

MK companies choosing to pay tax later

HUNDREDS of businesses in Milton Keynes have had to defer their taxes because of the recession.

The 780 city firms which have postponed payment to HM Revenue and Customs have saved themselves £23million.

They have done so through the Government's 'time to pay' scheme, whereby businesses can be more flexible with their finances.

The recession-related scheme was set up by the Government Office of the South East as a way for staving off late payment.

South East Regional Minister Jonathan Shaw has written to chief executives of all local authorities and health bodies in the area, urging them to sign up, and is encouraging business to follow suit.

He said: "The recession has hit us all, but the Government is committed to doing all it can to help businesses as well as individuals ride the storm and come out the other side more resilient.

"Thousands of businesses have responded to the help available, but I urge all those who have not, to take advantage.

"To emerge stronger from this recession we need to work together, that means Government and regions, as well as public bodies and businesses."

Government cash for counselling service

COUNSELLING for recession-hit families is to be funded by the Government.

Relate MK will receive £3,000 to add to its funding from Milton Keynes Council and profits from a charity shop.

Bosses say everyone will be able to get help quickly, regardless of their ability to pay.

Gwilym Roberts, manager of Relate MK, said: "Having money worries doesn't just affect your bank balance it can lead to relationships becoming strained.

"However, there is no reason to suffer in silence. Families and couples who are finding tensions at home getting too much might be surprised what a difference a few sessions could make."

■ Call 01908 310010 or e-mail appointment@relatemk.org

Leman A gas platform crane operator Paul Wright holding the remnants of the balloon from Woodlands Nursery

Kids' balloon race a gas

A BALLOON released at a city nursery has made it all the way to a gas platform in the middle of the north sea.

Children at the Woodlands Nursery in Downs Barn released balloons on August 15 at a charity event.

But they did not expect one to travel 150 miles, reaching Shell's Leman A gas platform, 45 miles off the coast of Lowestoft.

It was the first time the workers had seen such an arrival on their platform.

Offshore installation manager, Mike Smith, said: "When we saw, from a ticket which was still attached to the remnants of the balloon, that it had come from the nursery school in Milton Keynes we decided to get in touch as it had travelled such a long way.

"We thought it would be nice for the youngsters to know where it had landed and perhaps spark an interest in the oil and gas industry."

Assistant nursery manager Alyson Wade said the nursery had been delighted to receive a surprise call from the platform. It must certainly be the furthest distance travelled by any of the balloons we released," she said.

The balloon was sent on its way by four-year-old Daniel Alexander and his mum Lisa from Giffard Park. They will receive prizes of an iPhone and iPod alarm docking station.

Money raised from the balloon race will benefit Bliss, the charity for premature babies, and Build Africa, which constructs schools on that continent.

Milton Keynes Partnership Committee Public Meetings

The next public meeting of the Milton Keynes Partnership Planning Sub Commitee will take place on:

Date and time: Monday 7th September 2009 from 5.30pm

Venue: The Guild Hall, City Church, CMK MK9 2ES

For an agenda and more details of the meeting either contact the Committee Secretariat at the address below or view them five working days prior to the meeting on www.miltonkeynespartnership.info

Anyone wishing to address or submit questions to the Committee should contact the Secretariat in **writing by 12 noon on Thursday 3rd September 2009** to Milton Keynes Partnership Committee, CBX II, 414-428 Midsummer Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes MK9 2EA.

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Digging for clues soldiers give up

Decades of quiet on the First World War's Western Front have been disturbed by the exhumation of soldiers' bodies from a mass grave in the village of Fromelles. The hope is that some of the fallen, seven of whom came from Milton Keynes, can be identified.

Reporter JESSICA CUNNIFFE travelled to France as the final few bodies were being excavated.

AS they went off to war they were each known by a unique service number.

Now, as the bones of First World War soldiers are carefully lifted from the soil, they are being given a new number, denoting where their body was found.

In this corner of a foreign field, osteoarchaeologists – who specialise in recovering human remains – dust the nameless but numbered corpses in a marquee.

As the white-suited specialists lie face-down on planks of wood that bridge the metre-deep Grave 5, two skeletons look back up at them.

It is the first time daylight has touched them since the Germans cleared hundreds of battle-battered bodies, heaped them on a hand-pushed railway and filled six of the eight graves they had dug 93 years ago.

Now, as specialists dig and dust their way through Pheasant Wood, they learn that the soldiers' bodies were layed out methodically by the Germans.

Since the excavation began in May, they have exhumed 222 of these. Around 30 are thought to remain.

Part Time Team, part crime scene, this bizarre production line, which starts at this grave and ends at another, intends to match up the soldiers' body numbers with their service numbers.

Even in 2009, finding bodies is not unusual on the Western Front. Farmers in Belgium and France come across limbs almost as frequently as shells and shrapnel.

But, as Steve Martin, co-chairman of the Fromelles management board, said: "This is the largest recovery of First World War dead I'm aware of, being done at a level of scientific rigour not done before."

The two-day Battle of Fromelles was, according to Peter Francis of the Commonwealth and War Graves Commission, 'an absolute disaster'.

It intended to divert German resources from the Battle of the Somme, sending soldiers over the top to essentially say 'shell and shoot us instead'.

The pointless attack started on July 19, 1916, when the British 61st and 5th Australian divisions were faced with, as one survivor put it, 'bullets swishing in a flat criss-crossed lattice of death'.

The result was 1,780 Australians and 503 Britons dead.

Nearly a century on, it is not khaki-coloured figures but specialists in green overalls that swarm the area. Shellfire has been replaced with posters depicting poison gas, fuses and detonators, warning 'do not touch, inform your supervisor'. Instead of bunkers, portacabins fill the fields.

One of these, a makeshift mortuary, contains library-like shelves that hold 45 plastic boxes – 45 bodies.

Body G3 1973b is labelled 'for processing'. Having been photographed in the radiography room, it is ready for the wet room, where eight sets of bones are washed each day.

The team's painstaking work is punctu

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– long-dead First World War their secrets to science

Members of the Oxford Archaeology team carefully excavate the grave site by hand

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Body G3 1973b will soon make its way to the anthropology room, where it will be laid out in anatomical form.

Here the experts can gauge the age, height, dental health, lifestyle, ancestry, ailments and facial features of the soldier, recording anything that could help identify him.

Many veterans would not speak about what they saw during the war, but these soldiers' remains tell the experts a great deal.

For one thing, the bones are noticeably scarred. One skeleton, for example, was apparently shot through the back and throat. It lies next to another whose abdomen was torn apart by shrapnel.

Over in the finds room, Kate Brady, an artefacts and research specialist, sorts through the eyelets, boots, buckles, crucifixes, coins and socks.

The things they are found with – even still wearing – provide an insight into life on the front line.

For example, aluminium rings, crafted from the fuses from German shells, reveal the boredom and resourcefulness in the trenches.

Most poignant was one mud-preserved keepsake – a tiny leather heart, sewn up around the edges, containing a lock of human hair.

During its journey body G3 1973b will have its DNA recorded.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Defence's Joint Casualty and Compassionate Centre will compile a database of the DNA of the casualties' relatives.

Sue Raftree, who is co-ordinating the search, said: "We're delighted that we can find the families and take them forward in the project. Hopefully, fingers crossed, we may find their relative, though the likelihood is slim."

So far 131 have come forward, three in relation to Milton Keynes soldiers.

Nearby they are building what will be the final destination for body G3 1973b: a new cemetery, where burials will start in February 2010.

So after a war that largely took place below ground level – in the trenches, dugouts, tunnels and unmarked graves – that is where the bodies will remain, but this time with the honour they deserve.

■ **If you think you are related to one of the soldiers, call Sue Raftree on 01452 712612 ext 6303.**

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Mr Lancaster said: "Business is the lifeblood of Milton Keynes and I am delighted to see Railcare beating its way out of the recession.

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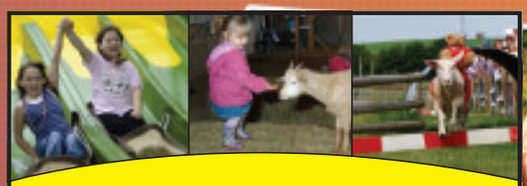

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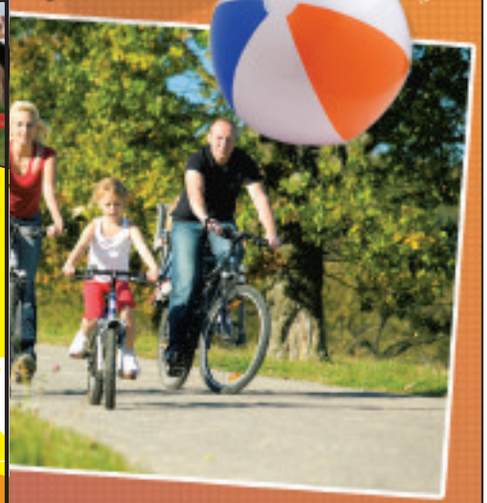

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Right place – right time?

Choosing the right place to study can be as big a challenge as any.

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Some people don't get the choice; they get one offer and accept it and fingers crossed, it will turn out alright on the night. But if you're lucky enough to be able to choose where you go, consider your options carefully - you'll be spending at least two or three years of your life there.

Of course, what's important to you may not be important to the next person. You may be particularly concerned about the quality and reputation of the college or the facilities it has to offer.

Location will be important for others; is it in a city or rural location? Is it near your friends and family? Is it an expensive place to live?

Course availability is another factor for many and may well narrow down your options.

Though some UK universities are better known than others, both in the UK and overseas, the most important consideration is what is best for you.

Be cautious about newspaper rankings of institutions; the information newspapers use is usually very selective and, as a result, only tells part of the story. Remember, there can never be a definitive 'best of' list, whether for universities, music or cars.

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*Do I understand the entry requirements for the course and think they are achievable?
*Am I interested in, and motivated, by the subject?
*Will the course build on my strengths?
*What kind of jobs do graduates of this course go on to do? Are they the sort of jobs I would like to do?
*Does this course and university have a good reputation, especially with employers?
*What learning approach do they use? What would my timetable be like? Do I like the balance of lectures and seminars; theoretical and practical work; group work and independent study? Will this approach suit my way of learning?
*How flexible is the course?
*What facilities does the college or university offer?

Do they suit my needs? Do they offer any necessary specialist equipment?

*Will I be able to get any one-to-one support?
*Does the course have a strong focus on employability as well as academic excellence?
*Would the university or college help me find high quality work experience placements?
*Does it meet my other criteria - where is it, what's the social life like, are there plenty of things to do, etc?
*What social events and societies do they offer?
*Do they have an open day I can go along to?
*What is my gut feeling about studying there?

If it's possible, try and talk to some students who are already studying at the places you are considering. Talking to someone with similar interests and tastes to you will give you a better idea.

Then weigh up what's most important to you and narrow down the options. You'll find that a visit will be the deciding factor; simply ask yourself: "Does this place feel right - for me?"

If you are a disabled student there are a few other things that you should bear in mind when choosing where to study. For example:

*What support will you need?
*Will you need any specialist equipment to aid your learning?
*What funding is available to you?

If you're not sure which other questions you should be asking, don't worry - a careers adviser at your school or further education college will be able to give you advice. You can also get support from your local Connexions Provider up until the age of 25.

Did you know?

A new poll shows 77% of secondary school pupils want to go to university, an increase of 5% on last year.

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Evening classes

How many times have you said: 'Next time I go on holiday I'd love to be able to speak the language – you know, just enough to get by.' Or: 'I used to love doing art at school but I haven't picked up a paint brush in years.' Or even: 'If only I'd concentrated a bit more in maths lessons (and a bit less on what was going on outside the window) I might be able to make sense of my tax return.'

Well, you know what? It's never too late. And now there are more opportunities to broaden your knowledge, learn a new skill and just plain have a good time doing something for yourself than ever before. It could even help you get a better job.
Life in the 21st century is lived at a hectic pace. Our free time is scarce and, with each passing year, it's becoming more and more precious. The thought of actually making a regular commitment to a class – even if it's something we'd really like to do – can be daunting.

But the benefits are worth considering; here are just a few reasons to take the plunge:

First and foremost, there's no point doing it if you're not going to get something out of it. And it must be your choice and your decision. No-one should force you into it. You are going to need commitment and drive to complete your course, and if you are not interested in the subject matter, forget it; it's a non-starter. You will get the most satisfaction out of a course you enroll in if there's something in it for you. Like asking the way to the beach next time you're on holiday in Spain – and understanding the response?

Don't be put off if you're feeling a little rusty or out of touch. Enrolling in a night course is one of the most effective ways to shake off the dust of day-to-day pressures that have a habit of settling on your thought processes and creativity. By actively engaging in a stimulating challenge of your own choosing, you may discover fresh mental and physical resources you never knew you had. And you won't be alone.

Many people who take an evening class are returning to complete a formal education that circumstances would not allow them to finish when they were youngsters. These days, it's hard enough to find a job if you're a graduate with a first class honours degree but for someone who, for whatever reason, was failed by the education system first time around, it can be a nightmare. Adults, who sign up for literacy and numeracy classes or take a GCSE/A Level course, give themselves a fresh footing in a society where information and the ability to communicate are all.

Learning a new skill often brings with it new confidence and a self-reliance that comes with overcoming a challenge. But the subject matter doesn't have to be of everyday practical use such as a computer course. Taking up ballroom dancing, Tai Chi, floristry or golf can provide as a great a sense of achievement as mastering Ancient Greek as long as you are hungry to learn and if a completely foreign skill can be mastered then you know that you are well-prepared for any old challenge life may throw at you.

But it's not just the physical benefits that you'll feel: exercising the mind is just as important to our overall well-being. Actively engaging in a night class can help sustain your powers of memory and concentration, and possibly even stave off forms of dementia such as Alzheimer's. As one American researcher, Dr Gary Small of UCLA, put it, "It's the use-it-or-lose-it theory. If you keep your brain cells active it improves their efficiency".

? Did you know?

Many courses in literacy and numeracy are free, and you may not have to pay for tuition if you're going for your first qualification equivalent to GCSEs or A levels. There's a wider range of free courses available if you're on income-related benefits, and there are opportunities for everyone to learn for free online.
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Arts, Crafts and Practical Skills

Code	Courses	Start date	Day	Time	Length	£
XA01A	Allotments & Gardens for Beginners	21-Sep-09	Mon	1730-1900	8 wks	£48
XA03A	Cards Galore	14-Sep-09	Mon	1900-2030	10 wks	£64
XB21A	Cartooning for Beginners NEW	15-Sep-09	Tue	1830-2030	10 wks	£76
XA12A	Floristry	21-Sep-09	Mon	1900-2100	8 wks	£64

Family and Child Classes

CF01D	Bollywood for Children - Ages 4-8 NEW	12-Sep-09	Sat	0930-1030	6 weeks	£18
CF02D	Bollywood for Children - Ages 9-15 NEW	12-Sep-09	Sat	1100-1200	6 weeks	£18
XF07D	Dance - Hoop Dance - Parents and Children 8+ NEW	17-Oct-09	Sat	1000-1200	2 hours	£12

Languages

XA02F	French - Beginners	14-Sep-09	Mon	1930-2100	12 wks	£76
XA06F	Italian - Improvers	14-Sep-09	Mon	1945-2115	12 wks	£76
XB08F	Japanese - Beginners	15-Sep-09	Tue	1800-1930	12 wks	£76
XB12F	Spanish - Beginners	15-Sep-09	Tue	2015-2145	12 wks	£76

Dance, Music and Drama

XA03D	African Dance	14-Sep-09	Mon	1830-1930	10 wks	£52
XA04D	Dance - Ballet Beginners/Improvers	14-Sep-09	Mon	1745-1845	10 wks	£52
XB01D	Dance - Bollywood Dance	15-Sep-09	Tue	1900-2000	12 wks	£60

Sport, Health and Wellbeing

XA03S	Boxercise	14-Sep-09	Mon	1900-2000	10 wks	£52
XD05S	Fencing - Beginners	08-Oct-09	Thu	2000-2100	6 wks	£52
XB14S	Ladies Self Defence NEW	22-Sep-09	Tue	1900-2000	5 wks	£30
XB11S	Stress Less NEW	06-Oct-09	Tue	1800-2000	3 wks	£36

Information Technology

XC01B	Microsoft Office	16-Sep-09	Wed	1830-2030	10 wks	£96
XA02B	Graphic Design - Introduction to the basics NEW	14-Sep-09	Mon	1930-2130	6 wks	£60

Saturday workshops

XF01S	Alexander Technique	24-Oct-09	Sat	1000-1600	1 day	£36
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XF24S	Massage Techniques for Beginners NEW	24-Oct-09	Sat	1000-1600	1 day	£36
XF18A	Origami - Breathing Life into Paper NEW	17-Oct-09	Sat	1000-1300	1/2 day	£18

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XB51Q	English GCSE	15-Sep-09	Tue	1930-2130	3 terms	£180
XA55Q	Government and Politics - AS Level NEW	14-Sep-09	Mon	1800-2030	3 terms	£210
XA52Q	Maths GCSE - Foundation	14-Sep-09	Mon	1830-2030	3 terms	£180
XC50Q	Science GCSE NEW	16-Sep-09	Wed	1830-2100	3 terms	£300

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Retraining

Millions of adults are going back to college to retrain in an attempt to survive the credit crunch, according to research commissioned by the Association of Colleges (AoC), London.

Those made redundant or who fear for the future of their jobs are at the forefront of the drive to upgrade skills. A fifth of adults intend to gain further qualifications in the next year, and a third of those want to do so because of the economic downturn. Some colleges are already reporting increased enrolments.

The survey by YouGov questioned more than 2,000 adults and from their responses arrived at these conclusions to make them representative of the English population. It found that 8.4 million people had switched career in the past three years, and that 3.2 million workers aimed to do so in the next year. More than eight million adults were making plans to "skill up" in the next year. Money was a powerful deciding factor for almost two fifths of respondents.

David Collins, president of the AoC, said: "The economic situation will trigger people to reassess their situation and make bold decisions."

Did you know?

All would-be teachers in England and Wales - regardless of which training route they choose - must have a grade C or above in mathematics and English GCSE. Primary teachers also need a C pass in a science subject

Learning something new is always a good idea. If you're going for a complete career change you'll probably have to get new knowledge and skills to make the change. But even if you're trying to get into the same type of work as before, updating or broadening your skills is still a good idea, because it:

*can add another string to your bow
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Training courses are run at colleges, universities, private course providers, advice centres and adult education centres. If you're not working you may get help with the fees. If you can't commit to a regular timetable and want to work at your own pace, you could do a distance learning course.

Teaching

Whether you're just starting out in your career or wanting a complete change - there are many ways to get into teaching. If you're a good communicator and are enthusiastic about helping people develop their skills, why not look more closely at a teaching career?

The type of route you choose will depend on who you want to teach and what you enjoy doing. You can even train on the job, which might suit you if you want to enter teaching as a second career.

Did you know?

Newly qualified teachers (NQTs) in England could receive a starting bonus of up to £5,000. You could be eligible to receive a golden hello payment of between £2,500 and £5,000 if you complete a postgraduate initial teacher training (ITT) course and take up a permanent position in a maintained school or non-maintained special school in England.

What is a golden hello?

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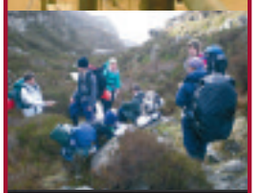
Walton High

Celebrating 10 years of the "fun and fundamentals" of learning



After a parental campaign for a secondary school to serve families in south east Milton Keynes, Walton High opened in September 1999.

The founding Governing Body set out a vision for a school where both the "fun and fundamentals" of learning mattered. A place where innovation and risk taking by students and staff was encouraged, but where the fundamentals of academic achievement, respect for others, self discipline and a smart uniform were equally valued.

As it has grown from a school with only 120 students in 1999 to over 1,450 in 2009, Walton High has remained true to its principles.

Its distinctive curriculum gives students a wide range of high quality learning experiences. The Wednesday afternoon Short Course programme offers over 100 different courses from archaeology to water sports and encourages young people to enjoy learning for its own sake, whilst Advanced Learning Days and Master Classes provide opportunities for in-depth learning. In addition, a wide range of after school activities are available for young people to participate in and study facilities are open until 5.30p.m.

Students are encouraged to take part in competitive sport and over the past decade they have enjoyed significant success on the sports field. Walton High has also developed an excellent reputation for the performing arts, with the numerous productions held throughout the year being highly acclaimed.

Students' learning is supported by excellent staff and the latest technology and resources. Lessons take place in modern specialist classrooms.

Since Walton High's first external exam results were published in 2003, students' achievements at the end of Year 11 have been consistently and significantly above the national and local average.

As a result of its reputation for delivering high quality education, many young people from across Milton Keynes and the surrounding area choose to join its Sixth Form and Walton High's Post-16 is ranked in the top 10% of schools and colleges nationally for the progress students make.

In two consecutive Ofsted inspections the quality of education, care and leadership has been judged as "Outstanding" and Walton High is acknowledged as one of the highest performing and most innovative Business and Enterprise specialist schools in the country. Throughout the curriculum emphasis is placed on developing the enterprise skills of problem solving, creativity, risk taking, team work and communication.

In addition to creating a first class centre of learning for the benefit of families living in south east Milton Keynes, governors also have an ambition to make a positive difference to the quality of education more widely. Through its Leading Edge Partnership and National Support School accreditation, Walton High aims to work with other schools to support school improvement, whilst as a Training School it works with partner organisations to increase the supply of well trained teachers to local schools.

Much has been achieved in the first decade of Walton High's history. Governors, staff and students are proud of their achievements and look forward with confidence to the next 10 years.

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Walton High

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Opportunities for students from across Milton Keynes at Outstanding Post-16 Centre

Post-16 students at Walton Learning Centre have enjoyed another record breaking year with outstanding results across the curriculum. Both the overall pass rate and the average point score per student exceeded the national figures.
Alison Reynolds achieved four grade As at A level and two grade As at AS level. Alex Harker, Stephanie Kwok and Leanne Tyler all achieved four grade As at A level and one grade A at AS. After their gap year, Matthew Smith and Matthew Prior will be taking up places at Cambridge University to read Engineering and Medicine respectively. In total 14 students achieved the equivalent of three or more grade As, with nearly half of all students achieving the equivalent of one or more grade A.

Connor and Hamid joined Walton High's Post-16 in 2009.
"There is a great atmosphere. I fitted in straight away. The teachers have high expectations. You are here to do well and staff work really hard to help you do this." Connor

In September 2008, Ofsted judged Walton High's sixth form to be "Outstanding". Inspectors commented: The sixth form provides an outstanding education to a wide range of students. Students make outstanding progress in their studies and achieve standards that are significantly higher than average. The sixth form curriculum enables students to take courses appropriate to their needs and there are a range of vocational and applied courses on offer alongside more traditional A level subjects. Staff guide students extremely well in their choice of courses and make sure that they are well supported throughout. Students enjoy their lessons and feel that the school enables them to develop leadership and decision-making skills as well as giving them wide-ranging experiences. They are articulate and positive young people.

Sciences & Mathematics

A' Level Maths is a popular option at Walton Learning Centre with over 100 students studying either Maths with Decision Maths, Statistics or Mechanics. Further Maths is also offered. Exam results are consistently well above the national average, enabling students to take up offers of places to study Maths or Maths related courses at some of the country's leading universities. In 2009 nearly half of all students achieved A grades with no student getting less than a grade C. Students will be starting degrees in Engineering at Cambridge, Warwick and Manchester, Maths at St Andrew's and Leicester, Computing at Warwick and Accountancy at the London School of Economics.

A Level Physics, Chemistry and Biology are equally popular. Highly qualified specialist teachers and support staff, combined with first class facilities, enhances students' learning experience. A' Level Science students leaving Walton High go on to study a wide range of science related degrees, including Medicine at Cambridge and Southampton, Veterinary Science, Meteorology, Pharmacy, Chemistry, Physics, Biological Sciences and nursing.

In addition to traditional A' Levels, Walton Learning Centre also offers the Level 3 BTEC in Applied Science (Laboratory and Industrial Sciences). This course provides excellent progression for students who have successfully studied either the Level 2 BTEC or GCSE Science course in Year 11.

The more practical and applied approach adopted by this course enables students to develop a thorough appreciation of the importance of scientific understanding to a wide range of industries, as well as developing the higher level laboratory skills that are in much demand. Industrial visits are an integral part of the course.

In 2009 there was 100% pass rate in BTEC Science, with 78% of the grades awarded being Distinctions. Students completing the Level 3 BTEC Science course have either been employed in industries where they will use their technical expertise or will be going to university to study science related degree courses such as Radiotherapy at Birmingham.

Sports Academy

First class sports facilities include 12 all weather pitches, extensive playing fields, sports hall and dance studio

Walton Learning Centre Sports Academy students develop their leadership and coaching skills in a range of different sports by working with children from partner schools

Walton Learning Centre's Sports Academy continues to be the leading provider of high quality sports education in Milton Keynes. For the second year running, students studying the BTEC National in Sport have performed exceptionally well. All those on the Award or Certificate courses achieved straight Distinctions. 71% of Diploma students achieved triple Distinction with no student achieving below a Distinction and two Merits. In addition to achieving their BTEC National qualification, students successfully completed Level 1 and 2 coaching awards in a range of sports as well as First Aid and Child Protection qualifications.

Ms Browne, the Leading Teacher for PE, said "The PE team at Walton High is extremely proud of our students' achievements. They have all worked exceptionally hard to achieve these outstanding results. Throughout the course the students responded very positively to our demanding expectations and were highly motivated to do well. These students are now well equipped with the skills and attributes needed to succeed in the growing, but highly competitive, sports and leisure industry."

Feedback from parents on the benefits for their sons or daughters studying at the Sports Academy has been very positive: "I would like to praise the support that my son has received from the PE Department . . . I believe his results are both a reflection of the hard work and effort he has put in and also as a result of the excellent level of pastoral care and mentoring skills that the PE staff have demonstrated."

Another parent commented: "As our son is finishing his Post-16 period at Walton High and moving on to another phase in his life, I wanted to contact you to simply say "thanks" . The help and encouragement that he has been given over the years has really helped establish him to move forward with more confidence and capability. It has been a real pleasure to us to see him go in to Walton High each morning with enthusiasm for learning and life – as well as self-belief that he can do well and succeed. That is in no small measure a result of the positive role-models presented by all in the PE department."

Students graduating from Walton Learning Centre's Sports Academy are going on to study Sports Science, Physiotherapy or joint honours degrees at universities renowned for their expertise in this field, such as Loughborough, Brighton and Bedfordshire, or are taking up employment opportunities in the local leisure industry.

2009: 92% of all BTEC Sport grades were Distinctions

Walton High

"I found everyone really friendly. I have learned a lot" James. "I like the independence here and it broadens your network of friends" Lineker

A Level Biology and BTEC Science students travel to Tenerife to work as volunteer researchers for the Atlantic Whale Foundation.

A Level students carrying out fieldwork in north Wales

"I feel I could go anywhere now; adapt and make friends with people from any back-ground. I was used to being in my comfort zone but I now have the confidence to go anywhere." Anna

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Studying the Arts at Walton Learning Centre

New for 2009: Performing Arts & Media BTEC Nationals

Building on the success of the A Level Drama & Theatre Studies, Music and Music Technology courses, Walton High has introduced two new programmes for 2009. The BTEC National in Performing Arts will focus on acting and musical theatre. In 2010 Walton High will see the opening of its new Performing Arts Centre which will have a 380 seat state-of-the-art theatre at its heart. The BTEC Media course provides students with a number of vocational pathways that develop the knowledge and skills needed in a range of media industries, including film and TV, radio, music technology and print journalism. This exciting course combines well with the Performing Arts and A Level subjects such as English, Politics and Business Studies. Students studying in this area could go on to careers in areas such as broadcasting, marketing, magazine and newspaper journalism.

A Level Art & Design students enjoy the sights and weather on an inspirational visit to Florence & Rome

Art & Product Design

Art and Product Design at Post-16 offers students the opportunity to explore their creativity through a multi-disciplinary and personalised approach to learning. Students choose the medium in which to work, whether it be Fine Art such as painting or drawing, textile based design, print making, ceramics, graphic design or 3-D manufacturing. Students have gone on to study Fine Art and Art History, Manufacturing, Fashion Design, Furniture and Product Design, Graphic communication and Architecture.

A Level Geography students conducting field investigations

The Arts, Modern Languages & Social Sciences

Students are offered a full range of arts, languages, and social science courses taught by highly qualified, specialist teachers. Support is provided for students to develop independent study skills that enable them to make outstanding progress and achieve the highest grades. Students have progressed to read their chosen discipline at universities throughout the UK where the grounding they have had at Walton High has enabled them to achieve excellent degrees. Students this year will be taking up places at universities such as St Andrews, Warwick, Manchester and Nottingham. Members of our Alumni are continuing with their education following Masters Degrees or PhD programmes in Sociology, Psychology, History and Geography.

Business & Law

As the leading Business and Enterprise specialist school in the region, teachers draw on their considerable expertise to ensure students achieve excellent results in Business Studies and Applied Business. Both courses provide students with opportunities to work with regional and national businesses. Students also benefit from close ties with local universities. Teams regularly compete in the Cranfield Business Arts Challenge and a revision conference is held at The Open University. This approach, which makes the most of opportunities presented by the wider community, is also evident in the teaching of Law; magistrates, judges and university lecturers have all worked with Law students to provide insights into how the law operates in practice.

Moving to Walton High's 6th form has been great. Teachers really encourage you to do your best and the facilities are fantastic. I have made a lot of progress and I'm confident I'll get the grades I need for my first choice university

2009 Curriculum

A LEVEL

Option A	Option B	Option C	Option D	Option E
Applied Business	Applied Art (Single)	Applied Art (Dbl)	History	Applied Art (Single)
Drama	Art & Design	Biology	Law	ICT
German	Chemistry	Business Studies	Music	Geography
Law	Econmics	Maths & Decision	Physics	French
Maths & Mechanics	English	Further Maths	Psychology	Sociology
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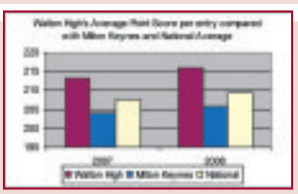
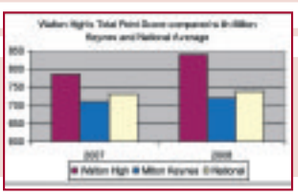
	Psychology	Politics		
	Spanish	Music Technology		
		Philosophy		
		Product Design		



BTEC Nationals (Level 3)

Media: Print	Media: Music Tech	Media: Film	Media: Core	Media: Radio
Performing Arts Award	Performing Arts Certificate	Science Award		Sport: Award
Science: Diploma	Sport: Diploma	Sport Certificate		
Health & Social Care Award				

BTEC National A Level equivalences: Award = 1 A Level; Certificate = 2 A Levels; Diploma = 3 Levels. BTEC Distinction = A Level Grade A; Merit = A Level Grade C; Pass = A Level Grade E * Students can achieve a BTEC National Certificate in Health & Social Care by opting to do an extended work placement.



Intermediate Programme

This programme is designed for students who wish to acquire the equivalent of six to eight A-C grades at GCSE, including English and Maths. Successful completion of the programme is a passport to further education: students who gain BTEC qualifications at Level 2 may progress to a Level 3 programme of AS/A2s or BTECs. Alternatively students may choose to leave Walton High at the end of the one year course with enhanced employment or training prospects.*

There are several routes available following BTEC courses chosen from Science, Health and Social Care, P.E., Art, Media and Performing Arts. The BTEC Diploma is the equivalent of 4 GCSEs and the BTEC Certificate is worth 2. The programme will be personalised to meet the needs of individual students.

If you are interested in joining a highly successful Post-16 Centre in September 2009 or 2010, please call Mrs Dee Rees on 01908 558766

Walton Learning Centre

Walton High Milton Keynes Maths Centre

Mathematics is recognised as one of the most important subjects students learn at school. To improve young peoples' enjoyment and understanding of mathematics, Walton High is working in partnership with the Local Authority and other schools in Milton Keynes on an exciting new initiative led by Consultant Maths Teacher, Tim Mason.

"Mathematics equips young people with a uniquely powerful set of tools to understand and change the world. These tools include logical reasoning, the ability to think in abstract ways and problem solving - so anything we learn in maths has literally thousands of applications in everyday life, the economy, science and technology. Maths is also a creative subject. It can stimulate moments of wonder when a problem is solved for the first time, or when a more elegant solution or hidden connections are suddenly seen."

The aim is to establish a network of Maths Centres that provide students from across Milton Keynes with a range of additional learning opportunities, both after school and on Saturday mornings. Young people aged 11 to 18 will benefit from individual and small group tuition that is based on an analysis of their needs. Teaching will aim to challenge and support students' learning in an active and engaging manner. As well as supporting younger students, sessions will be held for those studying GCSE and A Level Maths. The aim is to provide enriched opportunities for all young people, regardless of their mathematical abilities, to appreciate the beauty and importance of maths.

How to enrol a student at Milton Keynes Maths Centre

The first Milton Keynes Maths Centre will open at Walton High in the autumn term, with the aim of opening additional centres in other parts on the City in the future.
If you are interested in learning more about the courses and support on offer or would like to provisionally enrol a young person, please contact Barbara Gunter on 01908 678 478 or visit our website at www.waltonhigh.org.uk

Head of Milton Keynes Maths Centre (competitive salary)

If you are interested in playing a leading role in this exciting new initiative, and are an inspiring mathematician with a passion for teaching maths, we would like to hear from you. For more information and an informal discussion, please contact Tim Mason on 01908 677954.

New Performing Arts Centre opens in 2010

As a result of the continued success and growth of the Performing Arts at Walton High, a £6.5 million Centre is due to open in 2010. The centre will house a purpose-built theatre, music accommodation including a recording studio, Music Technology suite and practice rooms as well as additional classrooms.
Not only will this development enhance curriculum provision in the Performing Arts for students at Walton High but it will also add to their vocational learning opportunities through the teaching of the technical skills aspects of performance. Increasing opportunities for students to perform in excellent facilities will help to further develop student confidence and self esteem as well as the key skills of communication, problem solving and working with others.
This development will enable Walton High to offer a range of extended school activities and out of hours learning opportunities such as Youth Theatre projects and amateur dramatic productions which will be open to the community as well as Walton High students. Exciting plans are already underway as we look forward to our opening extravaganza of dance, drama and music.

Teacher Training Opportunities

Teaching is one of the most rewarding professions to work in. For teachers no two days are the same. The variety, with new experiences and challenges every day, is a key factor in making it the enjoyable and fulfilling career it is. Few things are more rewarding than helping young people learn and contributing to making a positive difference to their lives.
In recognition of its high performing status, Walton High is a Training School. As such, Walton High offers on-the-job training via the graduate teacher programme (GTP). It's a good choice for people who want to change to a teaching career but need to continue earning whilst they train. The training salary is £15k p.a. Experienced qualified classroom teachers can earn up to £35k+ with Heads of Department earning up to £46k+. Training is full time and, depending on previous teaching experience, takes from three months to an academic year to complete.
With the continued growth of Milton Keynes local career prospects for qualified teachers are excellent.
If you are a graduate interested in following a GTP route into teaching contact Sharon Alexander Vice Principal, on 01908 677954 for an informal discussion or email: recruitment@waltonhigh.org.uk

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Last minute university places but not the last resort

If you've got your A level results and didn't get the grades you needed to get into your chosen university or college, don't worry; exam results are not the be all and end all and the good news is, you have another chance!

There are still vacancies available at universities and colleges across the UK through clearing.
If you have missed your first and insurance choices, you can use clearing to find another place. If you are eligible, you would have been sent a clearing passport in the post.

Course vacancies are advertised on the UCAS site and in the national press.

Getting a place through clearing

When you've looked at the vacancies, you should talk to the admissions staff at universities and colleges with places available. Staff will be able to tell you whether they can offer you a place. If they can, you'll need to provide your clearing number.
You should then make a note of the university or college name and the course you're applying for, along with the UCAS course code, and sign and date your clearing passport. You then send this to the college or university. Once they've received this they will decide whether to offer you a place. If they do, you should contact the university or college with your decision.
If you accept the offer, the university or college will tell UCAS, who will then contact you to confirm your place.

Clearing is available until mid-September.

To search for course vacancies at UK universities log onto the clearing section of the UCAS site, or for more information on clearing check out the clearing advice section on Directgov.

But if you need help the government website Directgov offers advice on where and what to study. You can also find information about university prospectuses and open days at www. Direct.gov.uk and find out what financial help is available to you by visiting the Student Finance England section of the Directgov website.

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Flunking it famously

Ben Fogle, presenter, travel writer and star of the recent BBC2 show On Thin Ice 'got a big N' in geography A level, the subject on which he has since built his career. 'To this day' he says, 'I don't even know what it means. Apparently it means 'nearly' - or that's what my friends kind of said as they patted me on the back down in the pub.'

Albert Einstein failed his first college entrance exam at Zurich Polytechnic. Made up for it later though didn't he?

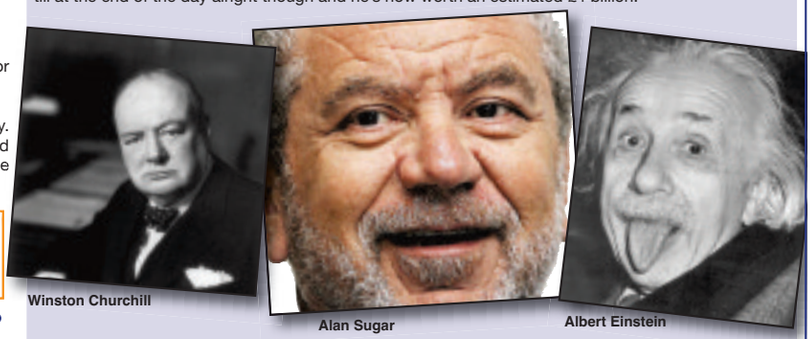
Winston Churchill failed the entrance exam for the Royal Military College at Sandhurst twice before finally passing it – and then going on to lead the country to victory in the second World War.

And as for these multi-millionaire knights of the realm, failing exams didn't do them too much harm in the end.

Sir Richard Branson Virgin founder left school at 15. Now has a fortune of something in excess of £3 billion and a couple of Caribbean islands to his name.

Sir Alan Sugar, Amstrad entrepreneur and TV Apprentice tormentor, left Brooke House School in East London aged 16 to set up his first company, selling car aerials from the back of a van. He is now worth more than £700 million and is one of the most famous faces on British television.

Sir Philip Green, Retail tycoon, left school without qualifications aged 15. He managed to cash up the till at the end of the day alright though and he's now worth an estimated £4 billion.



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Mind the gap!

Because whatever you do and wherever you go, whether you call it a gap year, time out or year out, you should remember three things:

*Read up on local laws and customs to avoid offending people or breaking local laws, however unwittingly. Check out the FCO Know Before You Go Travel Advice or call 0870 606 0290.

*Ensure you seek travel health advice and visit your doctor for appropriate vaccinations.

*Get the most up-to-date travel advice for the country you are planning to go to by visiting the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) website.

But what exactly is a Gap Year?

A year is, generally speaking, twelve months, but not every 'gap year' is precisely 365 days.

Whenever you take time out from the normal pattern of your life to do something completely different, that's a gap.

So what are you looking for? Adventure and taking a rest from education? Or are you considering a career break? Perhaps you are a mature traveller or early retiree and you're looking for purposeful travel, new experiences and sharing your skills as a volunteer.

There are no barriers with a gap year. You could be 18 or 58. You could be travelling to exotic destinations like India, Thailand, Asia, to Europe or the USA, or exploring closer to home in the UK. But wherever you decide to go and however long you choose to go for it is crucial to do your research properly before you commit your time and money.

There are lots of organisations offering gap year opportunities, some well known and others less so. This list of questions will help you to ensure the organisation is legitimate and meets your needs.

What is the precise programme cost and what does it cover?
What is the recommended budget for extras?
If I have to pay a deposit, is it refundable?
When and how do I pay? What happens if I cancel?
If I have to raise funds, does the organisation give advice?
How is the programme run and who is responsible?
Is it a registered charity, sole trader or private company?
What exactly will I be doing?
Can I chat to past participants?
Will the programme continue after I have left?
What will my responsibilities be?
Will there be a local contact available?
What emergency procedures are in place? For example, repatriation in time of crisis.
What are the meal and accommodation arrangements?
Will I be placed with a local family or with other students?

Just remember, you may have finished school but if you have longer term plans to live and work abroad, do your homework.

Bridging the gap - with government help

Last month the government announced that it will help pay for 500 young people under the age of 24 to travel to places such as Costa Rica and India to take part in gap year projects such as building schools.

The scheme will be administered through expedition company Raleigh International, the organisation that got the royal stamp of approval when Prince William spent 10 weeks in Chile on a Raleigh International expedition as part of his gap year.

Raleigh expeditions usually cost about £3,000 per person but in this case qualifying graduates must raise £1,000, buy their own flights and cover the cost of vaccinations to be eligible. Applicants will have to prove an overseas expedition would otherwise be beyond their means without the bursary.

Eating out

If you are spending your gap year abroad - particularly if you are in one of the more remote regions of the world - remember to be realistic and expect local food not culinary masterpieces, pizza deliveries or mum's shepherd's pie!

Golden gaps

Lots of travellers who embark upon a grown up gap year or plan a career break spend part of the time as a volunteer or work on a conservation project. Wildlife conservation projects are also very popular. Another option is to teach English abroad, perhaps in a school or village. Life begins at ...whenever you want it to!

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Supply Teaching Ltd was established locally in 2000 to provide a specialist service to schools and teachers in the Milton Keynes area. We have a large portfolio of teachers and schools ensuring a safe and reliable service.
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- A single call for daily supply cover
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- Local teachers for local schools
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Belinda Jarman established Supply Teaching Ltd in 2000. As a teacher, she understands the importance of matching teachers with the requirements of schools.

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Course Code	Course Title	Venues	Commence Date	Week Days	Start Time	Finish Time	Course Length in Weeks	Full Fee	Concessionary Fee
Q9B200KQ	Accounting - OCR Level 2	Knowles ACE Centre	15/09/2009	Tu	09:30	13:00	15 wks	£280.00	£30.00
J9C201KQ	Art & Design GCSE	Knowles ACE Centre	23/09/2009	We	19:00	21:30	2 terms	£300.00	£30.00
J9A202KQ	Art AS	Knowles ACE Centre	21/09/2009	Mo	19:00	21:30	3 terms	£375.00	£30.00
Q9B203KQ	Business Finance - City & Guilds Level 1	Knowles ACE Centre	22/09/2009	Tu	13:30	15:30	12 wks	£130.00	£30.00
Q9D204XQ	Business Skills - Preparation for Work in an Office	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	17/09/2009	Th	09:30	12:30	20 wks	£320.00	£30.00
A9A207SQ	Caring for Young Children	Denbigh School	14/09/2009	Mo	19:00	21:00	10 wks	£100.00	£30.00
J9A208GQ	Ceramics - City & Guilds Level 3 Award	Great Linford Arts Workshop	14/09/2009	Mo	10:00	12:00	15 wks	£165.00	£30.00
M9E211XQ	Chinese (Mandarin) GCSE	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	18/09/2009	Fr	15:00	17:00	3 terms	£300.00	£30.00
J9A210GQ	Creative Textiles - City & Guilds Level 1 Award	Great Linford Arts Workshop	14/09/2009	Mo	19:00	21:00	15 wks	£165.00	£30.00
J9A308ZQ	Dance Leadership - Level 1	Bletchley L Centre	14/09/2009	Mo	18:45	19:45	30 wks	£150.00	£30.00
J9C232SQ	Drawing & Painting - City & Guilds Level 1 Award	Denbigh School	16/09/2009	We	19:30	21:30	15 wks	£165.00	£30.00
J9E246KQ	Drawing & Painting - City & Guilds Level 2 Award	Knowles ACE Centre	18/09/2009	Fr	10:00	12:00	15 wks	£165.00	£30.00
M9A214SQ	English GCSE	Denbigh School	21/09/2009	Mo	18:45	21:00	3 terms	£90.00	£30.00
M9A213SQ	English GCSE	Denbigh School	21/09/2009	Mo	18:45	21:00	3 terms	£90.00	£30.00
M9C212WQ	English GCSE	Woughton Campus East	23/09/2009	We	18:45	21:00	3 terms	£90.00	£30.00
F9A213XQ	Excel - Level 2	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	14/09/2009	Mo	10:00	12:00	10 wks	£110.00	£30.00
J9B247XQ	Film Studies AS	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	22/09/2009	Tu	19:00	21:30	3 terms	£375.00	£30.00
M9D227XQ	French GCSE	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	17/09/2009	Th	19:00	21:00	3 terms	£300.00	£30.00
M9B231WQ	German GCSE	Woughton Campus East	15/09/2009	Tu	19:00	21:00	3 terms	£300.00	£30.00
J9A261GQ	Interior Design - City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate	Great Linford Arts Workshop	14/09/2009	Mo	19:30	21:30	30 wks	£340.00	£30.00
J9A265GQ	Jewellery & Silversmithing - City & Guilds Level 1 Award	Great Linford Arts Workshop	14/09/2009	Mo	10:00	12:00	15 wks	£210.00	£30.00
J9B266GQ	Jewellery & Silversmithing - City & Guilds Level 2 Award	Great Linford Arts Workshop	15/09/2009	Tu	10:00	12:00	15 wks	£210.00	£30.00
J9A267GQ	Jewellery & Silversmithing - City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate	Great Linford Arts Workshop	14/09/2009	Mo	19:00	21:30	30 wks	£610.00	£30.00
Q9A212XQ	Manual Book-keeping - OCR Level 1 Certificate	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	14/09/2009	Mo	09:30	12:30	13 wks	£225.00	£30.00
Q9B211WQ	Manual Book-keeping - OCR Level 1 Certificate	Woughton Campus East	15/09/2009	Tu	19:00	21:00	20 wks	£225.00	£30.00
P9C200SQ	Maths GCSE Modular - Foundation	Denbigh School	23/09/2009	We	19:00	21:00	3 terms	£90.00	£30.00
P9A203XQ	Maths GCSE Modular - Higher	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	21/09/2009	Mo	19:00	21:00	3 terms	£90.00	£30.00
P9B202KQ	Maths GCSE Modular - Higher	Knowles ACE Centre	22/09/2009	Tu	19:00	21:00	3 terms	£90.00	£30.00
P9D201KQ	Maths GCSE Modular - Higher	Knowles ACE Centre	24/09/2009	Th	10:00	12:00	3 terms	£90.00	£30.00
J9D276XQ	Media Studies AS	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	24/09/2009	Th	19:00	21:30	3 terms	£375.00	£30.00
J9B282XQ	Patchwork & Quilting - City and Guilds Level 1 Award	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	15/09/2009	Tu	12:30	14:30	15 wks	£165.00	£30.00
J9B281SQ	Patchwork, Quilting and Applique - City & Guilds Level 3 Award	Denbigh School	15/09/2009	Tu	19:00	21:00	15 wks	£165.00	£30.00
F9E225KQ	PowerPoint - Level 2	Knowles ACE Centre	18/09/2009	Fr	13:00	15:00	10 wks	£110.00	£30.00
J9D313GQ	Printmaking & Creative Sketchbooks - City & Guilds Level 3 Certificate	Great Linford Arts Workshop	17/09/2009	Th	13:00	15:30	3 terms	£405.00	£30.00
B9C203BQ	Science GCSE	Shenley Brook End School	16/09/2009	We	19:00	21:30	3 terms	£375.00	£30.00
M9B258XQ	Spanish - A2	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	15/09/2009	Tu	19:00	21:30	3 terms	£375.00	£30.00
M9C259SQ	Spanish - AS	Denbigh School	16/09/2009	We	19:00	21:30	3 terms	£375.00	£30.00
M9A268SQ	Spanish - GCSE	Denbigh School	14/09/2009	Mo	19:00	21:00	3 terms	£300.00	£30.00
H9B222ZQ	Sports Leadership - Level 1	SNAP, Walnut Tree	15/09/2009	Tu	19:00	21:00	13 wks	£150.00	£30.00
J9C290BQ	Stained Glass - City & Guilds Level 1 Award - Leaded Panel	Shenley Brook End School	16/09/2009	We	19:30	21:30	15 wks	£165.00	£30.00
J9A291SQ	Stained Glass - City & Guilds Level 2 Award - Leaded Panel	Denbigh School	14/09/2009	Mo	19:30	21:30	15 wks	£165.00	£30.00
F9C227XQ	Website Software - Level 2	Stony Stratford ACE Centre	16/09/2009	We	19:00	21:00	10 wks	£110.00	£30.00

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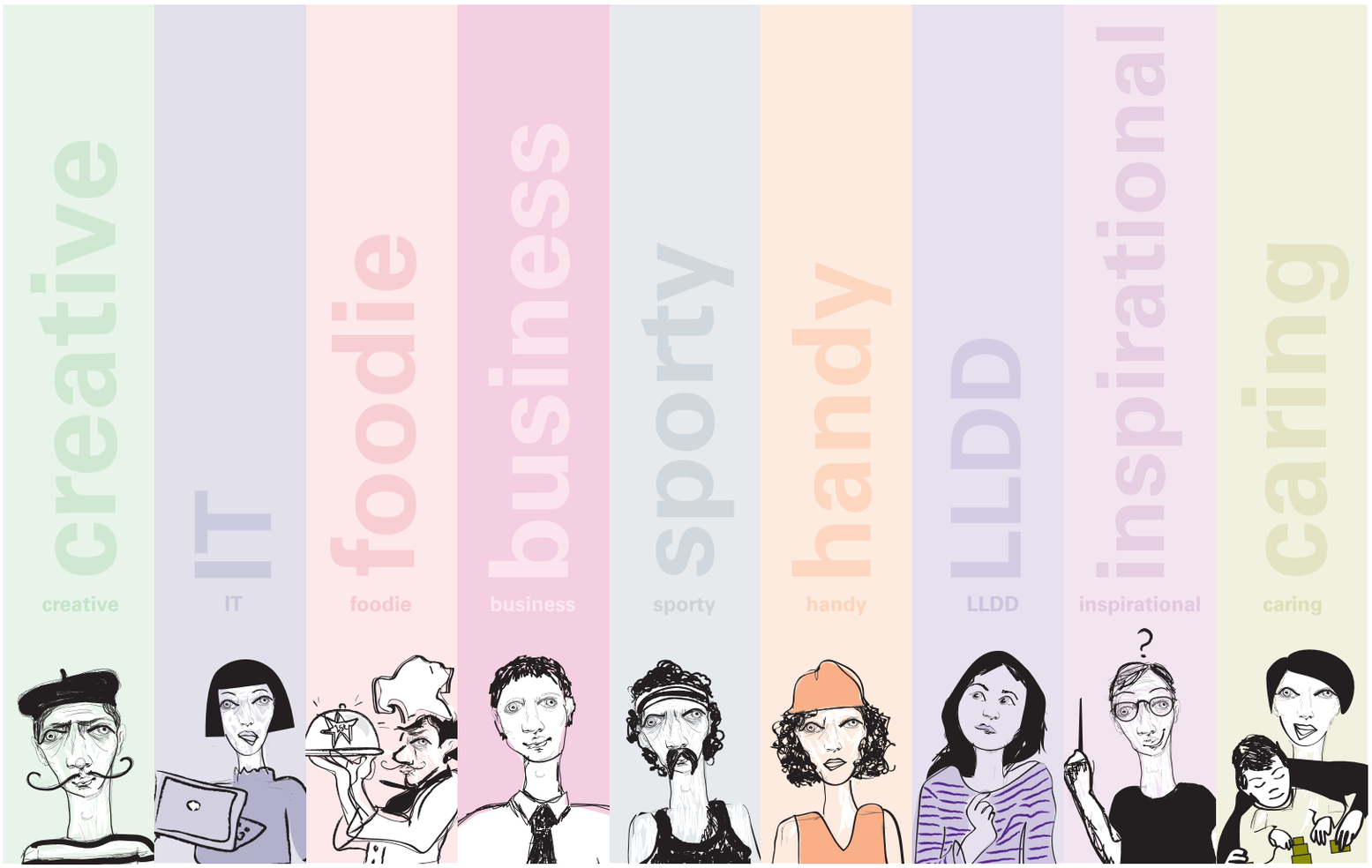

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Are you a sporty type?

Sports Science

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
Anatomy & Physiology Diploma	15/09/2009	15 wks	Tue	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	3	0979-1/1	300	59
Sports Massage Therapy Diploma	15/09/2009	30 wks	Tue	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	3	0981-1/1	641	34
Body Massage (Swedish) Certificate & Diploma in Health & Safety	17/09/2009	15 wks	Thu	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	3	1867-1/1	300	59
Certificate in Fitness Instructing (Gym)	06/09/2009	34 wks	Wed	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	2	1866A-1/1	451	55
Certificate in Fitness Instructing (Exercise to Music)	16/09/2009	17 wks	Wed							
		17 wks	Sat	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	2	2121A-1/1	451	55

Are you a foodie type?

Hotel, Catering & Hospitality

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
Hospitality Customer Service NVQ Lvl 1	14/09/2009	36 wks	Flex	Flex	B	T,W,A	1	2760B-1/1	660	32
Hospitality Customer Services Intro Cert	14/09/2009	36 wks	Flex	09:00-17:00	B	T,W,A	1	1726A-1/1	95	16
Hospitality Customer Services NVQ Lvl 2	14/09/2009	36 wks	Flex	Flex	B	T,W,A	2	2761B-1/1	660	32
Professional Diploma Course Level 1	14/09/2009	30 wks	Mon	14:30-20:00	B	W,A	1			
Professional Diploma Course Level 2	14/09/2009	30 wks	Mon	14:30-20:00	B	W,A	2			
Pastry Chefs & Patissiers Certificate	14/09/2009	30 wks	Flex	09:30-14:00	B	W,A	2	0232A-1/1	957	50
Cake Decorating Intro. 139-1 ABC	23/09/2009	30 wks	Wed	17:00-20:00	B	W,A	1	0229-1/1	418	44
Cake Decorating Inter. 139-2 ABC	23/09/2009	30 wks	Wed	18:00-21:00	B	W,A	2	0230-1/1	418	44
Food Safety Induction Award	14/10/2009	-	-	13:00-16:30	CW	CS	-	2313A-1/1	0	0
Food Safety Award	TBA	1 day	-	09:00-17:00	O	CS	-	2922A-1/1	63	14
Nutrition & Healthy Eating Intro Cert	Flexible	Flex	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	2037-1/2	45	0
Practical Food Safety in Catering	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	1550-1/2	45	0
Food Safety in Catering	TBA	1 day	Flex		O	BS	2	2000-1/1	70	70

Are you a handy type?

Construction

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
Certificate in the Requirements for Electrical Installations BS7671: C&G 2382										
17th Edition Wiring Regs	27/10/2009	4 days	Tu-Fr	09:00-17:00	K	W,A	3	0070-1/1	315	315
Inspection, Testing & Certification of Electrical Installations (City & Guilds 2391)	24/09/2009	1 wks	Thu	18:00-21:00	K	W,A	3	0169A-1/1	387	105
Electrotechnical Technology Certificate City & Guilds 2330										
Electrical Installation (Level 2)	21/09/2009	2 yrs	Mon	09:00-17:00	K	W,A	2	1987-1/2	1545	105
	22/09/2009	2 yrs	Tu&Th	18:00-20:30	K	W,A	2	1987D-1/2	1545	105
Electrotechnical Technology Certificate City & Guilds 2330										
Electrical Installation (Level 3)	24/09/2009	2 yrs	Thu	09:00-17:00	K	W,A	3	2575-1/1	876	52
Electrotechnical Cert City & Guilds 2330	21/09/2009	1-2 yrs	Mo&Th	18:00-20:30	K	W,A	3	2575A-1/1	824	52
Certificate in Plumbing Studies	15/09/2009	2 yrs	Tu-We	18:00-21:00	K	W,A	2	3259-1/1	1574	103

Engineering & Technology

Engineering BTEC National Certificate	15/09/2009	2 yrs	Tue	09:00-20:00	B	W,A	3	0005B-1/2	2,654	154
Engineering City & Guilds 2800 Cert	17/09/2009	2 yrs	Thu	09:00-20:00	B	W,A	3	1841-1/2	1,554	154
2D Computer Aided Engineering Design Certificate City & Guilds 4353-01	15/09/2009	1 yr	Tue	18:00-20:30	B	W,A	2	2018-1/1	304	54

Motor Vehicle & Motor Sport

Motorcycle Maintenance	02/11/2009	10 wks	Mon	18:00-21:00	B	MV	3	0337-1/1	150	150
Vehicle Maintenance & Repair Lvl 3	17/09/2009	1 yr	Thu	13:30-21:00	B	MV	3	0367W-1/2	1,500	1,500
	Flexible	1 yr	Thu	13:30-21:00	B	MV	3	0367W-1/2	1,500	1,500

Are you a business type?

Accountancy

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
Bookkeeping City & Guilds Lvl 1 Cert	14/09/2009	13 wks	Mon	18:00-20:45	CW	W,A	1	2125A-1/1	177	27
	17/09/2009	13 wks	Thu	18:00-20:45	CW	W,A	1	2125D-1/1	177	27
	18/09/2009	13 wks	Fri	09:15-12:00	CW	W,A	1	2125C-1/1	177	27

Association of Accounting Technicians

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
AAT Foundation Accounting NVQ Level 2 - Fast Track	01/09/2009	21 wks	Tu&Th	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	2	0360J-1/1	750	150
AAT Foundation Accounting NVQ Lvl 2	21/09/2009	32 wks	Mo&We	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	2	0360C-1/2	750	150
	23/09/2009	32 wks	Wed	09:15-16:30	CW	W,A	2	0360A-1/2	750	150
	25/09/2009	32 wks	Fri	09:15-16:30	CW	W,A	2	0360B-1/2	750	150
AAT Intermediate Accounting NVQ Lvl 3	07/09/2009	37 wks	Mo&We	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	3	0361D-1/2	785	135
	08/09/2009	37 wks	Tu&Th	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	3	0361CA-1/2	785	135
	10/09/2009	37 wks	Thu	09:00-16:30	CW	W,A	3	0361A-1/2	785	135
AAT Technician Accounting NVQ Lvl 4	01/09/2009	2 yrs	Tue	09:00-16:30	CW	W,A	4	0431A-1/2	697	47
	01/09/2009	2 yrs	Tu&Th	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	4	0431D-1/2	697	47
	02/09/2009	2 yrs	Mo&We	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	4	0431C-1/2	697	47

Business & Management

Team Leading ILM Level 2	21/09/2009	11 wks	Mon	18:00-20:00	U	W,A	2	2985A-1/1	170	71
First Line Management ILM Lvl 3	22/09/2009	12 wks	Tue	18:00-21:15	U	W,A	3	2127A-1/1	230	80
Management ILM Level 4	30/09/2009	11 wks	Wed	18:00-21:15	U	W,A	4	2969A-1/1	222	72
Certificate in Equality & Diversity	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	1891-1/2	45	0
Award in Business Practices	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	2928-1/2	55	0
Certificate in Business Practices	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	2930-1/2	60	0
Certificate in Managing Diversity	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	3	2927-1/2	45	0

Chartered Institute of Marketing

CIM - Introductory Certificate in Marketing	08/09/2009	20 wks	Tue	18:15-21:00	U	W,A	3	2986-1/1	250	0*
CIM - Professional Certificate										
Marketing Essentials	07/09/2009	13 wks	Mon	18:15-21:30	U	W,A	4	0050A-1/1	320	320
Market Information & Research	09/09/2009	13 wks	Wed	18:15-21:30	U	W,A	4	0050C-1/1	320	320
CIM - Professional Diploma										
Delivering Marketing Value	07/09/2009	13 wks	Mon	18:15-21:30	U	W,A	6	0051A-1/1	350	350
Managing Marketing	09/09/2009	13 wks	Wed	18:15-21:30	U	W,A	6	0051C-1/1	350	350

Chartered Institute of Purchasing & Supply

CIPS - Foundation Diploma Managing Purchasing & Supply Relationships	01/09/2009	11 wks	Tue	18:00-21:15	U	W,A	5	0052B-1/1	250	250
CIPS - Foundation Diploma Developing Contracts in Purchasing & Supply	03/09/2009	11 wks	Thu	8:00-21:15	U	W,A	5	0052E-1/1	250	250
CIPS - Foundation Diploma Effective Negotiating in Purchasing & Supply	01/12/2009	11 wks	Tue	18:00-21:15	U	W,A	5	0052C-1/1	250	250
CIPS - Foundation Diploma Measuring Purchasing Performance	03/12/2009	11 wks	Thu	18:00-21:15	U	W,A	5	0052D-1/1	250	250

* Reduced cost will still require an exam fee.

Are you an inspirational type?

Teaching, Training & Development

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
Preparing to Teach in the Lifelong Learning Sector	16/09/2009	10 wks	Wed	18:00-21:00	B	W,A	3	2869A-1/1	268	54
Certificate in Teaching in the Lifelong Learning Sector (CTLLS) from Unit 001	22/09/2009	31 wks	Tue	09:00-13:15	TBA	W,A	4	3329A-1/1	669	12
	25/09/2009	31 wks	Fri	12:15-16:30	TBA	W,A	4	3329B-1/1	669	112
Certificate in Teaching in the Lifelong Learning Sector (CTLLS) from Unit 002	22/09/2009	24 wks	Tue	17:15-21:30	TBA	W,A	4	3330A-1/1	669	112
	10/12/2009	24 wks	Thu	09:00-13:00	TBA	W,A	4	3330B-1/1	669	112
Diploma in Teaching in the Lifelong Learning Sector (7305)	22/09/2009	2 yrs	Tue	09:00-13:15	CW	W,A	5	2870A-1/2	1,070*	1,070*
	25/09/2009	2 yrs	Fri	12:15-16:30	B	W,A	5	2870B-1/2	1,070*	1,070*
DTLLS (Year 1 from Unit 2)	22/09/2009	2 yrs	Tue	17:15-21:30	CW	W,A	5	3327A-1/2	1,070*	1,070*
	10/12/2009	2 yrs	Thu	09:00-13:15	B	W,A	5	3327B-1/2	1,070*	1,070*
DTLLS Year 2 (Final Year)	07/10/2009	1 yr	Wed	09:00-13:15	U	W,A	5	3344A-1/1	1,070*	1,070*
	07/10/2009	1 yr	Wed	17:00-21:15	U	W,A	5	3344A-1/1	1,070*	1,070*
	08/10/2009	1 yr	Thu	09:00-13:00	U	W,A	5	3344B-1/1	1,070*	1,070*
PGCE Certificate of Education	18/09/2009	30 wks	Fri	12:15-16:30	U	W,A	5	0881-1/1	*	*
Certificate in Training Practice	17/09/2009	30 wks	Thu	17:15-21:30	CW	W,A	3	0145A-1/1	875	111
Certificate in Personnel Practice	14/09/2009	30 wks	Mon	17:15-21:30	CW	W,A	3	2562-1/1	875	111
	16/09/2009	30 wks	Wed	14:30-18:45	CW	W,A	3	2562B-1/1	875	111
Training & Development CIPD Level 3	01/08/2009	36 wks	Flex	Flex	O	W,A	3	0362A-1/2	736	119
Training & Development CIPD Level 4	01/08/2009	36 wks	Flex	Flex	O	W,A	4	0377-1/2	1,153	149
Programme Assessor Awards/A1	01/08/2009	1 yr	Flex	Flex	B	W,A	3	1023-1/2	412	34

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	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
Quality Assurance Co-ordinators										
Award/V1	31/07/2009	2 yrs	Flex	Flex	B	W,A	4	1024-1/2	412	34

* The fees for the DTLLS and PGCE are via application to LEA for grant.

Teaching Assistant

Supported Teaching & Learning										
NVQ Level 3	15/09/2009	9 mths	Tue	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	3	1878-1/2	914	116
NVQ Level 2	28/09/2009	6 mths	Mon	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	2	1732A-1/2	737	111

Access

Access to Higher Education Fast Track	15/09/2009	1 yr	Tu&Th	17:30-21:30	CW	W,A	3	1041-1/1	1,353	103
	19/01/2009	1 yr	Tu&Th	17:30-21:30	CW	W,A	3	1041-1/2	1,353	103

Are you a creative type?

Art, Design & Media

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
OCN Intro to Art Craft & Design	29/09/2009	30 wks	Tue	09:00-16:30	B	W,A	2	0523-1/1A	756	162
OCN Advance Art, Craft & Design	29/09/2009	30 wks	Tue	09:00-16:30	B	W,A	3	1011-1/1	756	162
OCN Drawing	30/09/2009	10 wks	Wed	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	2	2979-1/1	165	27
OCN Desktop Publishing Beginners	30/09/2009	30 wks	Wed	18:30-20:30	U	P,T,B	2	0032-1/1	244	27
OCN Desktop Publishing Advanced	01/10/2009	15 wks	Thu	18:30-20:30	U	P,T,B	3	2974-1/1	165	27
OCN Introduction to Photography	01/10/2009	10 wks	Thu	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	2	0535A-1/1	165	27
	28/09/2009	10 wks	Mon	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	2	0535B-1/1	65	27

Hair, Beauty & Holistic Therapy

Hairdressing NVQ Level 3	16/09/2009	2 yrs	Wed	17:30-21:00	B	W,A	3	2355-1/3	1,823	109
Afro-Caribbean Perming & Relaxing Cert	16/09/2009	12 wks	Wed	17:30-21:30	B	W,A	3	2949-1/1	256	256
Indian Head Massage Diploma	19/09/2009	12 wks	Sat	09:00-12:30	B	P,T,B	3	0159A-1/1	281	45
Swedish Body Massage Certificate including										
Anatomy & Physiology	14/09/2009	30 wks	Mon	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	3	0044-1/1	589	59
	15/09/2009	30 wks	Tue	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	3	0044A-1/1	589	59
Reflexology Certificate	14/09/2009	30 wks	Mon	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	3	1879-1/1	600	52
Aromatherapy Certificate IIHHT	17/09/2009	30 wks	Thu	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	3	1883-1/1	600	54
Manicure and Pedicure IHBC	15/09/2009	13 wks	Tue	17:30-21:30	B	W,A	2	0144A-1/1	255	35
	16/09/2009	13 wks	Wed	17:30-21:30	B	W,A	2	0144B-1/1	255	35
	19/09/2009	13 wks	Sat	09:00-13:00	B	W,A	2	0144C-1/1	255	35
Facial Massage & Mask Therapy	16/09/2009	15 wks	Wed	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	2	0322-1/1	231	26
Nail Technology Certifcate	15/09/2009	14 wks	Tue	17:30-21:00	B	P,T,B	2	0682-1/1	305	40
Beauty Therapy NVQ Lvl 2 Fast Track	19/09/2009	2 yrs	Sat	09:00-16:00	B	A	2	2950-1/2	1,261	87
Fashion Colouring Techniques	14/09/2009	5 wks	Mon	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B		0975-1/1	180	
Fashion & Photograhic Make-up	17/09/2009	12 wks	Thu	18:00-21:00	B	P,T,B	2	2948-1/1	283	35

Floristry

Floristry NPTC National Certificate	21/09/2009	2 yrs	Mo-We	18:15-21:30	B	A	2	2545A-1/2	1,506	100*
									206	100*

* Resource Fee

Are you a caring type?

Caring, Health & Childcare

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
Children's Care, Learning & Development										
NVQ Level 2	16/09/2009	6 mths	Wed	18:30-21:45	CW	W,A	2	2413A-1/2	737	111
NVQ Level 2	17/09/2009	6 mths	Thu	09:30-12:45	CW	W,A	2	2413C-1/2	737	111
NVQ Level 3	16/09/2009	9 mths	Wed	18:30-21:45	CW	W,A	3	2414A-1/2	977	140
NVQ Level 3	18/09/2009	9 mths	Fri	09:30-12:45	CW	W,A	3	2414B-1/2	977	140
Diploma in Homebased										
Childcare Units 2-5		30 wks	Wed	18:30-21:30	CW	W,A	3	2818-1/2	661	136
Leadership & Management										
for Care Services	31/07/2009	Flex	Flex	Flex	O	W,A	4	3184-1/2	1,065	101
Health & Social Care NVQ Level 2	16/09/2009	6 mths	Wed	11:00-14:15	O	W,A	2	0421A-1/2	567	111
	31/07/2009	6 mths	Flex	Flex	O	W,A	2	0878-1/2	567	111
Health & Social Care NVQ Level 3	01/08/2009	9 mths	Flex	Flex	O	W,A	3	2138-1/2	695	140
Health & Social Care NVQ Lvl 3 (CCYP)	16/09/2009	9 mths	Wed	09:30-12:45	O	W,A	3	2201-1/2	695	140
	17/09/2009	9 mths	Thu	09:30-12:45	O	W,A	3	2201A-1/2	695	140
Health & Social Care NVQ Lvl 4 (CCYP)	08/09/2009	12 mths	Flex	Flex	-	W,A	4	2794-1/2	1,065	142
Care NVQ Level 4	31/07/2009	12 mths	Flex	Flex	O	W,A	4	1904-1/2	1,065	142
Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults	30/08/2009	1 yr	-	13:30-16:30	CW	CS	-	2438A-1/1	24	0
Safe Handling of Medicines										
Intermediate Certificate	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	1513-1/2	45	0
Prevention & Control of Infection	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	1920-1/2	45	0
Cert in Occupational Health & Safety	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	1512-1/2	45	0
Certificate in Dementia Awareness	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	2	2158-1/2	45	0
Certificate in Palliative Care	Flexible	12 wks	Flex	Dist Learning	O	BS	3	2994-1/2	45	0
Counselling Skills Introduction	16/09/2009	12 wks	Wed	18:00-21:00	CW	W,A	2	0907-1/1	300	56
Counselling Skills BTEC Professional										
Development Certificate	16/09/2009	2 yrs	Wed	18:00-21:30	CW	W,A	3	0019-1/2	1,109	96
Therapeutic Counselling BTEC Professional										
Development Certificate	17/09/2009	2 yrs	Thu	13:00-21:00	CW	W,A	5	2543-1/2	1,731	99
Moving & Handling: Inc use of hoist	Flexible	1 day	Mon	09:00-16:30	CW	CS	-	2315A-1/1	76	0
Moving & Handling Update	Flexible	1 day	Mon	09:00-12:30	CW	CS	-	2316A-1/1	45	0

Are you an IT type?

Computing and IT

	Start Date	Duration	Day	Time	Place	Apply	Level	Code	Cost (£)	Reduced Cost (£)
IT Users Certificate (New CLAiT)	21/09/2009	22 wks	Mon	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	1	2931-1/1	215	45
IT Users Certificate (CLAiT Plus)	24/09/2009	30 wks	Thu	18:00-21:15	CW	W,A	2	2971-1/1	295	55
iMedia Users OCR Level 1 Certificate	29/09/2009	20 wks	Tue	18:00-21:00	CW	W,A	1	2990-1/1	321	41
Cisco IT Essentials 1	29/09/2009	20 wks	Tue	18:00-21:00	CW	W,A	2	0140W-1/1	550	550
	26/09/2009	20 wks	Sat	09:00-12:00	U	W,A	2	0140S-1/1	550	550
Cisco CCNA (Cisco Certified										
Network Associate) 2 Yr	28/09/2009	2 yrs	Mon	18:15-21:15	U	W,A	3	2470-1/2	1,800	1,800
Cisco CCNA (Cisco Certified										
Network Associate) 1 Yr	28/09/2009	1 yr	Mo&We	18:15-21:15	U	W,A	3	0654-1/1	1,800	1,800
Comptia A+	29/09/2009	30 wks	Tue	18:00-21:00	CW	W,A	2	3248-1/1	860	860
Comptia Network +	24/09/2009	17 wks	Thu	18:15-21:15	U	W,A	3	3249A-1/1	580	580
Microsoft Certified Desktop Support										
Technician (MSCDST)	28/09/2009	20 wks	Mon	18:00-21:00	CW	W,A	2	2305-1/1	660	70*
Microsoft Certified Professional (MCP)										
Windows XP (70-270)	30/09/2009	15 wks	Wed	18:00-21:00	CW	W,A	2	2580-1/1	580	35*
Microsoft Excel Core Skills	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	1822-1/2	300	300
Microsoft Outlook Core Skills	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	1825-1/2	300	300
Microsoft Access Core Skills	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	1831-1/2	300	300
Microsoft Powerpoint Core Skills	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	1824-1/2	300	300
Microsoft Word Core Skills	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	1826-1/2	300	300
Microsoft Excel Expert Skills	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	1823-1/2	300	300
Microsoft Word Expert Skills	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	1830-1/2	300	300
Microsoft Certified Application Specialist (MCAS)										
Using Microsoft Office Access 2007	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	3081-1/2	300	300
Using Microsoft Office Powerpoint 2007	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	3082-1/2	300	300
Using Microsoft Office Word 2007	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	2998-1/2	300	300
Using Microsoft Office Exel 2007	Flexible	1 day	Flex	Flex	CW	W,A	-	2999-1/2	300	300

What **type** are you?

Place:
CW = Chaffron Way
K = Kiln Farm
WBL = Work-Based Learning
B = Bletchley
U = University Centre Milton Keynes
O = Offsite

Apply by:
P = In person
B = Booking Form (with payment)
A = Application Form
CS = 01908 684545
T = Telephone
W = Website
BS = 01908 637056
M = 01908 637221

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Milton Keynes COLLEGE

Part-Time Courses 09

Support, Finance & Enrolment Details

This guide brings together the part-time courses and qualifications offered by Milton Keynes College during the Autumn of 2009. Whether you're completely new to learning, are looking to broaden your horizons or are keen to gain new skills for a new career, these courses are an ideal way to access high-quality training at excellent value. Hopefully this guide will provide you with all the detail you need, however additional information can be found on the College website at: www.mkcollege.ac.uk/courses.

Student Services

It is good to know that help is available when you need it and at Milton Keynes College we offer a full range of support services to help you make the most of your time with us.

- Careers Guidance Service
- Welfare & Student Finance
- Guidance
- Student Admissions
- Student Counselling Service (COGS)
- Learning Support.

Disability Statement

This gives detailed information on services and arrangements available to students with learning difficulties and/or disabilities, and is available from the Admissions Unit or Reception. If you require more information, call the Learning Support Team on 01908 684433 or 684184.

MK College Nursery

The College Nursery offers childcare for students' children aged between 4 months and 5 years in a safe, happy and caring environment based at the Chaffron Way Campus. The Nursery is OFSTED registered and open to all students. Regular transport is provided between the Bletchley and Chaffron Way Campus for students with children at the nursery who are studying at the Bletchley Campus. More information or a visit to the nursery can be arranged by contacting the Childcare Services Manager on 01908 684462. Costs of sessions are reviewed regularly. Parents/carers on benefit or low income can apply for financial assistance for childcare costs from the Welfare & Student Finance Team on 01908 684364.

Childminders

Milton Keynes College has a network of OFSTED registered childminders who offer quality, flexible childcare for 0 to 14 year olds in a home-based environment. The network is coordinated by a qualified childcare practitioner. Further information can be obtained from the Childcare Services Manager on 01908 684462.

Milton Keynes Childcare Information Service

In addition to the help available from the College Childcare Team, Milton Keynes Childcare Information Service can provide further information and advice about childcare places throughout Milton Keynes. You can call the telephone helpline and out-of-office answerphone service on 01908 253918.

Money Matters

Sponsorship
If your employer or training provider is paying for your course, they will need to provide either a letter confirming this at enrolment or a company cheque.

Level 2 Entitlement
Applicants over 19 who do not already have a full Level 2 qualification (5 GCSEs grade C and above, BTEC First Diploma, GNVQ Intermediate or NVQ Level 2). If you think you may be eligible, please check before enrolling.

Level 3 Entitlement
Applicants over 19 and under 25 who do not already have a full Level 3 qualification, may be entitled to free tuition for full Level 3 qualifications. If you think you may be eligible, please check before enrolling.

Course Fees
This listing shows the full-fee payable when you enrol to reserve your place on a course. Some courses have additional costs which may include residential/trip, uniform/kits, registration with awarding bodies. You will be informed if your course has any additional costs when you enrol.

If you have not been resident in the UK or an EEA (European Economic Area) country for the last 3 years, you may be liable to pay overseas fees. Please contact the Enrolment Team on 01908 684574/4571 for further details.

We are sorry, but we cannot accept credit/debit card payments for less than £5.00.

Full Fee
This is the amount you will have to pay when you enrol to reserve a place on a course. This fee is fully inclusive of tuition, enrolment, examination and other fees unless otherwise stated.

Reduced Fees
If you are eligible to claim a reduced fee we are required to see proof that you are in receipt of a means tested benefit, so you will need to enrol in person. Please contact the Enrolment Team on 01908 684574 or 684571 for more information. 16-18 year olds attending most part-time courses will be eligible for discounted fees, which will differ from the reduced fees for benefit claimants.

Other Costs Payable
These are additional costs that you may incur whilst on your course. They may include residential/trip costs, uniforms/kits and registration with awarding bodies.

Refunds
A refund will only be made in the following circumstances:

- if a course is cancelled by the College, a full refund of course fees will be made.
- if a student wishes to withdraw from a course AND the College receives written notification from the student at least 14 days prior to the commencement date of the course, a refund of course fees less a £15 (£250 for overseas students) administration fee will be made.
- if a student who is dependant on a childcare place at either the College Nursery or through the childminding network enrols onto a course and none are available.

Admissions, Information & Enquiries Opening Hours

Monday - Thursday: 09.00-17.00
Friday: 09.00-16.30

Course Enrolments are open
Monday - Thursday: 09.00-16.30
Friday: 09.00-16.00

Equal Opportunities

Milton Keynes College is committed to equal opportunities and will endeavour to provide education and learning opportunities for all, regardless of race, gender, age, culture, sexuality, disability or background. In line with statutory requirements, the College positively promotes racial and disability equality in all aspects of its work.

Enrolment Notes

- Milton Keynes College reserves the right to cancel a course should circumstances demand.
- Students must notify the College immediately of any change in their home address.
- Students are responsible for informing the College of any changes in their circumstances which affects their eligibility for tuition fees, remission or childcare support.
- Exam board/awarding body fees are included in your enrolment fee (unless otherwise stated). Your tutor will inform you of exam entry dates. It is your responsibility to ensure that all examination and awarding body registrations are made on your behalf.
- Students who have been continuously absent for four weeks without notifying the College will be deemed to have withdrawn. All students are principally liable for the payment of their fees.

Time to Enrol!

For all course enrolments that do not require an application form, you can enrol in person at Chaffron Way Campus anytime between:

09.00-16.30 Monday - Thursday
09.00-16.00 Friday

Enrolments will also be open from 09.00 until 20.00 on the following dates:

Wednesday 2nd September at CW
Thurday 10th September at B
Monday 14th September at CW

Many courses fill up quickly, so don't leave everything to the last minute.

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MK LIFE

YOUR GUIDE TO LEISURE IN YOUR CITY

Funny people – at a cinema near you – see inside

Leisure or events news? e-mail **leisure@mk-news.co.uk** | phone **01908 689595**

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FUNNY PEOPLE

Adam Sandler, Leslie Mann, Eric Bana, Seth Rogan, Jonah Hill

From Friday

GEORGE Simmons (Adam Sandler) is a successful stand-up who's just been told he only has 12 months to live. He takes a shine to up-and-coming funnyman Ira Wright (Seth Rogen) and asks him to become his personal assistant and warm-up act. While George teaches Ira how to perfect his performance, Ira helps his boss come to terms with his imminent demise and the two become friends.

THE FINAL DESTINATION 2D & 3D

Bobby Campo, Shantel Van Senten, Haley Webb, Nick Zano, Krista Allen

From Friday

NICK (Bobby Campo) and his friends are at the speedway when he suddenly has a terrifying premonition – a car is going to crash, sending pieces of flaming debris hurtling into the stands killing him and hundreds of others.

BROKEN EMBRACES DISCOVERY

Lluis Homar, Penelope Cruz, Tamar Novas, Blanca Portillo, Ruben Ochandiano, Jose Luis Gumez

From Friday

BLINDED in a car accident 14 years previously, ageing screenwriter Harry Caine (Lluis Homar) enjoys life with the help of his agent Judit (Blanca Portillo) and her son Diego (Tamar Novas), a DJ and aspiring writer. One day Ray X (Ruben Ochandiano) knocks at Harry's door claiming to have a project he believes may be of interest.

Leslie Mann and Adam Sandler star in Funny People at a cinema near you from Friday

HURT LOCKER

Ralph Fiennes, Guy Pearce, Anthony Mackie, Jeremy Renner, Brian Geraghty, Christopher Sayegh

From Friday

ULTRA-INTENSE military thriller set in the blistering heat of the Middle East conflict.

INGLOURIOUS BASTERDS

Brad Pitt, Paul Rust, Eli Roth, BJ Novak, Samm Levine, Diane Kruger, Michael Fassbender, Christoph Waltz

Now showing

1944, Nazi-Occupied France. Lt Aldo Raine (Pitt) and his Basterds, a squad of ruthless Jewish soldiers, must help the Allies wipe out the German High Command.

I LOVE YOU, BETH COOPER

Hayden Panettiere, Samm Levine, Paul Rust, Jack Carpenter, Alan Ruck

Now showing

ON his graduation day, nerdish Denis Cooverman (Rust) declares love for cheerleader Beth Cooper (Panettiere), setting off a chain of events that will lead him on the wildest night of his life.

SHORTS

Kat Dennings, Leslie Mann, Jon Cryer, James Spader, William H Macy

Now showing

A YOUNG boy discovers a rock which grants wishes – calculating children and trouble-making adults all make a play for its power.

WIN CINEMA TICKETS

MK NEWS has teamed up with Cineworld at the Xscape to offer readers the chance to win a pair of tickets to see the film of their choice.

Just tell us the name of the warm-up man in Funny People.

Answers by e-mail to: competitions@mk-news.co.uk

Please include your name, address and daytime telephone number.

Closing date Tuesday, September 3.

Editor's decision is final.

ARTS DIARY

MK GALLERY

www.mk-g.org 01908 676900 Theatre District

CURIOUS Curation: Free adult workshop. August 27. 6.30-8pm.

An evening for adults working with an artist and curator to design their own exhibition, taking inspiration from the current Hayward Touring exhibition.

THE Pigeon Archive. Throughout August.

Artist Lyndall Phelps documents, through photography, video and sculpture, the re-enactment of pigeon manoeuvres undertaken during both World Wars.

ARTWORKS

www.artworks-mk.co.uk 01908 608108 Great Linford

'CLOSURE' Artists Books. August 15 - September 19. Exhibition of over 100 national and international experimental Altered and Artists' books. Printing 'end papers' or a collagraph cover for a Japanese -bound book, or making a printed origami book. Free.

THREE HARES

www.cowperandnewtonmuseum.org.uk 01273 711516 Olney

EXHIBITION by local artist Helen Casey-Green, showing her textile pieces throughout the month of August. Free

FRINGE

www.fringemk.com 07918 030445 Midsummer Place

EXHIBITION by artist Jason Smith. August to October. Drawings and Sculpture exploring ideas surrounding the word 'infrastructure'. Free.

WHITEWALL

thecentre:mk.

A collection of paintings by local artist Annabell Shelton. Free.

CMK LIBRARY

SUMMER Reading Challenge: throughout the summer, the libraries are running events to promote reading at all of their libraries. Pre-booking is essential. Pop into your library for more information.

Leisure or events news? e-mail **david.gale@mk-news.co.uk** | phone **01908 689595**

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Friday 11th September
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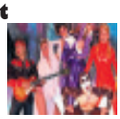
Soul Party Night with Superstition
Saturday 12th September
£25.00pp

80s Tribute Show Party Night
Friday 18th September
£23.00pp



Singles Night – Thursday 10th September – Rock & Blues Party – Only £12.00pp

(finger buffet, live band and disco included)

All Friday/Saturday nights include a superb hot & cold buffet with a choice of sweets & cheeses, and don't forget the Chocolate Fountain.

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CLUBS AND PUBS

GROOVE
Theatre District 08445 434854
RETRO bar and club. In room one the 70s and 80s collide, the 90s are reserved for room two. Room is the place for VIPs, cocktails and fizz. Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 8.30pm until 3.30am. Admission free. Over 18s, dress code no trainers, hats or hoods.

OCEANA
Xscape 670976
THREE different clubs in one with the Rhythm Room, Ice House Reykjavik and New York Disco, plus Russia Bar and Parisian Boudoir. VIP suites, booths and a lounge available for hire. Over 18s Sunday-Thursday, over 19s on Fridays and over 20s on Saturday. Dress code is smart casual.

OPUS
Theatre District 239433
POPULAR nightclub on two levels. RnB and hip hop on the bottom level, funky house and electro spins at the top. Entry £3 before 11pm. Dress code is casual cool.

SPICE LOUNGE DISCOTHEQUE
Theatre District 237400
DISCO venue with party music from the 80s, 90s and noughties. VIP and lounge areas to chill out. Friday and Saturdays only. 9am to 2am. Over 21s.

THE LIVING ROOM
thehub:mk 608643
MUSIC on the baby grand piano every night. Restaurant and outdoor terrace overlooking the central piazza. Food from midday until late.

REVOLUTION
Xscape 679875
VODKA cocktail bar on two floors. The club doubles up as a venue to grab a bite to eat with luxurious booths and a vodka lounge. Cocktails, food and contemporary entertainment. Dress code is smart casual.

FIRST BASE
Xscape 295222
SPORTS bar with regular DJs and live bands playing music from pop and rock to RnB and dance at the weekend, pool tables. Big screen TV for matches. Casual dress.

LLOYDS NO 1
Theatre District 558905
BAR on two levels with a large dance floor and disco ball. DJs at weekends. Free. Drinks and food reasonably priced.

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Station Square 677840
info@blueprintbars.com
INDEPENDENT bar. Great selection of wines, beers and 35 cocktails.

COFFEE POT
Yardley Gobion 542656
FAMILY-RUN village pub now serving food.

TASTE**LIFE**

Pasta masters

BELLA ITALIA

Savoy Crescent, Theatre District
01908 395369
Review by Laura Hannam

BELLA Italia has just launched its new summer menu offering a variety of light, fresh dishes for those rare sunny days and hearty, warming meals when you want to escape the rain.

The menu offers a selection of Italian specialities including pasta, pizzas, grill dishes and fish and meat dishes.

For starters my guest and I shared the Antipasto Misto (£5.25), a platter of cured Italian mixed salami, tomato and basil bruschetta, buffalo mozzarella and mixed olives and the Gamberi (£5.50), skewers of king prawns dressed in lemon and chilli butter with toasted ciabatta and tomato salsa.

The prawns were fresh, perfectly cooked and well seasoned and the Antipasto Misto was a delicious classic.

For the main course I ordered a Pollo Piccantina pizza (£8.50) with sweet roasted peppers, spicy chicken breast, smoked mozzarella and chillies on a spicy arrabbiata base.

The pizza had a feel of authentic Italy with a very thin base, wonderfully crispy crust and strong fresh flavours.

My guest had the Fusilli Pollo Spinaci pasta (£8.95), with pieces of chicken breast, mushrooms and spinach, sauteed in a creamy gorgonzola cheese sauce.

For dessert we both went for belt-bursting numbers including The Godfather (£4.95), with nutty chocolate fudge brownies, vanilla and toffee ice cream with chocolate crunch, chocolate sauce, fresh cream and wafer curls.

Particularly delicious was the Fondente Al Cioccolato (£4.95), a warm, melting chocolate pudding served with mascarpone cheese. This rich, soft dessert is a must for any chocolate lover.

Overall the restaurant offers an impressively genuine taste of Italian cuisine that nearly had me believing I was back in Rome, at good value.

DANCE**NIGHT**

Ultra Vegas returns

MILTON Keynes club Ultra Vegas is back again.

Ultra Vegas had sell out Easter and May parties, and now, on Bank Holiday Sunday, the club welcomes former Radio One DJ, Seb Fontaine, at Opus Milton Keynes.

After more than five years of weekly nights at The Loft and The Empire, with floor-filling names such as Paul Oakenfold, Boy George and Lisa Lashes, there has been a gaping hole in the Milton Keynes club scene since Ultra Vegas shut its doors in 2001.

Seb Fontaine, who played at the club's first three birthday parties, as well as with Kiss FM partner Tall Paul at larger events which took over the entire Winter Gardens, said that he would be honoured to grace the Ultra Vegas decks once again.

"I'm really looking forward to DJing and meeting nice people on August 30. Ultra Vegas is definitely the best club in Milton Keynes," said Seb.

The event runs from 9pm to 4am. £10 in advance, £12 on the door before 11pm, £15 after and £20 VIP ticket.

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FREE family fun day at Oakgrove Leisure Centre, Middleton, 10am-4pm. Basketball with the MK Lions, trampolining, penalty shoot-out, music and dance, games, competitions, face painting, bouncy castle, arts, crafts and therapies.

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Deborah Bonham

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A change of bedding

AS summer bedding plants begin to fade thoughts turn to autumn, bedding plants and spring flowering bulbs.

Before you replant your flower borders, I recommend that you spend some time preparing.

Dig over the soil, removing any weed growth and especially deep rooted weeds such the dandelion as they will grow again from even the smallest amount' of root.

Top dress the soil with a small handful of slow acting fertilizer, such as bonemeal, to each square metre and rake in, breaking down any large lumps. Leave to settle for a few days before planting.

In September the ground is both warm and moist, ideal for planting to ensure good root growth before winter.

There is a wide range of plants currently available that will create interest from now right through winter or until the first real hard frosts, including pansies and violas, heathers, yoder chrysanthemum and ornamental cabbages and kales.

BULBS

AS EACH year goes by there is a greater choice of varieties and different types of spring flowering bulbs available.

Take time to choose your bulbs to brighten up those dull corners of your garden. Draw up a planting plan and choose a mixture of colours and varieties and plants of different heights and flowering times to create real interest.

Look for a firm bulb with no signs of insect or fungus damage on the surface. If possible plant them straight away, if left in their packaging they may begin to grow or if in a plastic bag fungal diseases will soon appear.

PLANTING TIPS

■ Do not plant when the soil is very dry, waterlogged or frozen. Store until conditions improve.

■ Plant several bulbs in one large hole or trench to save time and effort, making sure they are not touching.

■ Most bulbs prefer a well drained position, so in clay soil, place some sand or grit in the bottom of each planting trench or hole to prevent rotting.

■ In very dry soils bulbs may not flower properly. Improve moisture retention by digging in a layer of moist compost at the bottom of the trench or hole.

A useful tip is to put your bulbs in flower pots or containers and plant them in their flowering positions. When the flowers have finished lift the container and put it out of sight for the foliage to die down.

CHOICE

THERE is a great number of different species and varieties to choose from.

For 'carpeting bulbs' I recommend snowdrops (Glanthus Nivalis), winter aconites (Eyranthis), crocus, scillia (Glory of the Snow) or muscari (Grape Hyacinths).

There are a number of varieties of dwarf narcissus (daffodils). Perhaps the most well know are Tete a Tete with plain yellow flowers and Jet Fire, yellow with and small orange trumpet.

For larger daffodils I recommend that you look for some of the more recent introductions such as Salome with beautiful pink trumpets.

We must not forget the tulip, again I recommend that you look for some of the new varieties such as Toronto that has several pink heads on one stem.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

IF you want hyacinths to flower in late December in the house, you need to buy prepared bulbs. Plant them in shallow bowls or containers with the bulb tips poking out and place them somewhere cool. A garden frame is ideal. Cover the bulbs with soil, peat or potting compost and leave alone. Do not forget to water occasionally. Wait until the bulb shoots are at least four cm high then bring them indoors.

All you have to do now is wait for them to flower.

The varieties of Narcissus Paperwhite and Bridle Crown can be treated in the same way for early flowering indoors around the Christmas period.

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SIMON **DARNELL**

HOLIDAY

Dizzee Rascal

IT'S safe to say they'll be playing this in the nightclubs of London, New York and Beachampton this summer.

For one thing, it's the same team that came up with Dance Wiv Me, so chances are this'll be just as popular.

For another, that means Calvin Harris is all over this song like a dropped trifle and if there's one thing Calvin Harris can do it's songs that scream 'SUMMER ANTHEM.'

If you ask me, their previous collaboration just has the edge over this one but, even so, there are going to be far worse songs than this climbing into the upper reaches of the Top 40.

It doesn't go on for ages and, in fact, it's so keen to keep to a decent running time that it speeds up towards the end before performing a textbook emergency stop.

There's no getting away from it, Holiday's an unashamedly happy little song and sometimes even the likes of me needs to listen to happy songs.

Only sometimes mind you, don't want things getting silly now do we?

FLY WITH ME

Jonas Brothers

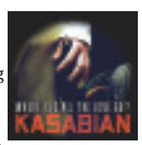
NOW then, when I said about far worse songs reaching the Top 40... this nightmare starts with a cheery piano riff, crashing drums and a guitar.

You can probably guess how things go from there right up to the big finish complete with abrupt key-change.

All this song needs to complete it is some cheers and applause from their adoring fans right at the end and it would be 'perfect'.

WHERE DID ALL THE LOVE GO?

Kasabian



OH. Well this can't be all there is to it, surely?

If I was playing the song from a record I'd be wondering if I was playing it at 33 instead of 45 but, no, I've been listening to it via the wonders of modern technology and, well, it's a bit flat, lifeless and lethargic.

I'm not entirely sure what's gone wrong here, you see, when Kasabian are on fire their music can take your head clean off your shoulders and then put it neatly back into place.

By comparison, this song is little more than background music to listen to while you wait for something better.

This isn't a bad song as such, but it does sound like Kasabian on autopilot and they're one of the last bands I ever expected to hear going through the motions.

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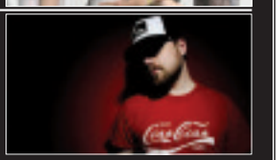

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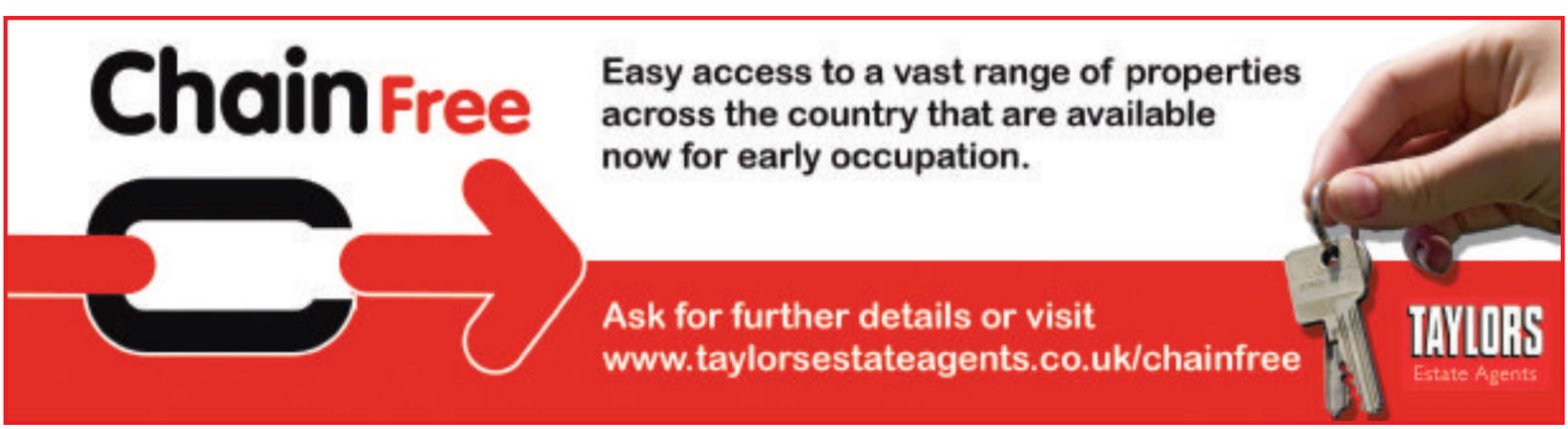

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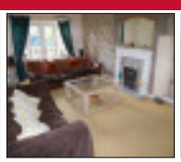

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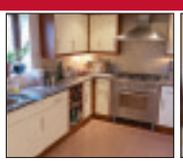
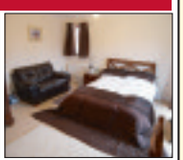
Walton Park — OIEO £450,000

A well presented four bedroom detached executive residence situated on a generous plot in Walton Park.

•lounge •dining room •study •kitchen/breakfast •conservatory •utility and cloakroom •four double bedrooms •en suite •galleried landing •balcony and family bathroom •

Oakhill — £365,000





A very spacious five bedroom property with flexible accommodation over three storeys.

•Kitchen/breakfast room •Family room •Dining room • Lounge • Utility • Five bedrooms • Two en suites and two bathrooms • First floor balcony overlooking the generous rear garden •Off road parking in front of the double garage.

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GENEROUS PLOT SIZE £364,995

READY NOW!! This imposing detached home with an abundance of versatile accommodation, including 3 receptions, 3 bath/showers rooms, driveway and double length garage. Situated in a popular West Milton Keynes area with sought after school catchments.

SPACIOUS APARTMENTS £149,995

Set in a pinnacle corner building, just 6 above average sized 2 bedrooms, 2 bathroom apartments. With a private allocated car park to the rear. Each plot has a double aspect 22ft lounge with separate kitchen and a balcony. Juliet balcony from the master with en-suite. The 2nd bedroom is a double size. Broughton is ideally located near the M1 junction, park and ride to Central Milton Keynes, coach station and Kingston district centre.

Spacious 5 Bed £525,000

Set on a no through road just 24 homes surrounded by parkland and an original church, yet all the convenience of Milton Keynes and M1 junction. This fantastic 5 bedroom detached house with double garage offers everything you need for a family lifestyle. The accommodation comprises of a big kitchen/diner, 2 separate reception rooms and a utility. This property also boasts 5 great bedrooms and 4 bath/shower rooms. (Picture of show home)

CITY CENTRE APARTMENT £147,000

Set in the highly desirable development 'Vizion' in the heart of Central Milton Keynes. A high specification spacious 4th floor 1 bedroom apartment with balcony onto Avebury Boulevard and the sky scrape of the city. With single entrance to the development with security guard and your own permanent under ground secure car park space, this is a truly private building. The development is centred by a large garden with water fountains and paths, only accessed from the apartments. There are lifts to all floors and video entry for extra security. Located a short walk from the station, night life, shops and the commerce area of the city centre. A great future investment.

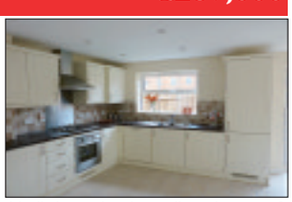
SPACIOUS VILLAGE HOME COMING SOON!! £444,000

Shortly to be completed an individual 4 bedroom, 3 en-suites, 4 reception room detached home with double garage. In this popular village location near Olney. Boasting open views to the rear and an excellent level of specification including under floor heating to the ground floor. Of particular note is the spacious nature of the open plan downstairs, which includes a conservatory style bonus room from the lounge. This pretty village boasts a host of amenities and is ideally located for community.

5 BEDROOM DETACHED £345,000

Offering a well balanced layout with kitchen/diner and 3 further reception rooms. Upstairs there is 3 bath/shower rooms and most bedrooms are a double size. Outside there is a garage with generous driveway. Situated in east Milton Keynes, offering excellent access to the M1.

READY FOR OCCUPATION! £289,000



Ideally located within walking distance of Bletchley station this brand new 5 bedroom detached home comes with 4 en-suites and a 19'2 ft lounge. There is a single garage to the rear as well as a south facing garden - ideal family home!

HUGE LIVING SPACE £269,950

Yes, incredible size for the money at 1561sqft. Boasting three receptions, three bath/shower rooms and four double bedrooms. Outside there is a garage and generous drive and an outlook over a brook. Situated in west Milton Keynes with popular school catchment. Ready now, with carpets and some great price deals!

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Furzton £189,995

- Semi Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Garage Conversion/Family Room
- Double Glazing
- Gas to Radiator Heating
- ORP for Several Cars
- Large Rear Garden
- Well Presented

Bradwell Common £219,995

- Four Bedrooms
- Townhouse
- Cloakroom
- Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge
- En-suite
- Bathroom
- Off Road Parking

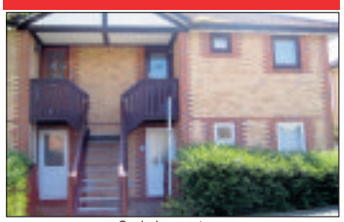
Westcroft £279,995

- Four bedroom link detached house.
- Featured on the TV show "Don't Move Improve
- Gas to radiator heating and double glazing
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Lounge
- Kitchen/breakfast/dining room
- Conservatory
- Bedroom two with re-fitted en-suite

Shenley Brook End £239,995

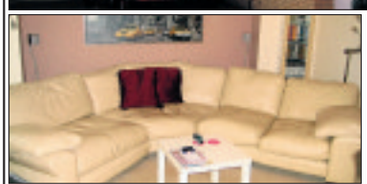
- Four Bedrooms
- Separate reception rooms
- Kitchen
- En Suite
- Gardens
- Garage

Beanhill £44,000



- One bedroom maisonette
- Shared ownership
- Entrance Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Gardens
- Off road parking

Ashland £237,500



- Four bedroom end of terraced townhouse
- Gas to radiator heating and double glazing
- Entrance hall
- Cloakroom
- Kitchen/breakfast room

Westcroft Guide Price £250,000

- Four bedroom detached family home
- Gas to radiator heating
- No chain
- Entrance hall
- Cloakroom
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Conservatory

Monkston OIEO £195,000

- Spacious Four Bedroom townhouse
- Gas to radiator heating and double glazing
- Entrance hall
- Cloakroom
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Bedroom four/dining room
- Lounge
- Master bedroom with en-suite

Bolbeck Park £110,000

- Three Bedrooms
- Detached
- Kitchen
- Lounge
- Family Bathroom
- Front and Rear Garden
- Shared Ownership
- £25,000 Premium

Oldbrook OIEO £145,000

- Two bedroom semi detached house
- Gas to radiator heating
- Double glazing
- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/diner
- First floor landing
- Two bedrooms

Oldbrook £84,995

- One bedroom house
- Entrance hall
- Kitchen
- Lounge
- First floor landing
- Bedroom and bathroom.

Leadenhall £125,995

- Two bedroom apartment
- Gas to radiator heating
- Communal entrance
- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/diner
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom

Oldbrook £147,500

- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Top Floor
- Electric Heating
- Communal Entrance
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Garage

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Beanhill £129,995

• Three Bedrooms
• Lounge
• Kitchen/Diner
• Cloakroom
• Shower room
• Off Road Parking
• Gardens

Tinkers Bridge £79,000

• Cul-de Sac Location
• Three Bedrooms
• Entrance
• Cloakroom
• Lounge/Diner
• Kitchen
• Gardens
• Off Road Parking

Peartree Bridge OIEO £160,000

• Two Double Bedroom
• Cloakroom
• Lounge/Diner
• Kitchen
• En Suite to Master Bedroom
• Bathroom
• Off Road Parking
• Front & Rear Balconies

Medbourne £64,500

• Two bedroom first floor maisonette
• Gas to radiator heating
• Offered on the popular shared ownership scheme
• Communal entrance
• Entrance hall
• Lounge/kitchen
• Allocated parking

Tattenhoe £345,000

• Five bedroom spacious detached property
• Gas to radiator heating and double glazing
• Entrance hall
• Cloakroom
• Lounge
• Kitchen
• Utility room
• Master bedroom with en-suite

Jamie, one of our very successful Senior Negotiator's at Taylors Central is achieving record success and urgently requires properties for waiting buyers in Bradwell, Oldbrook and Conniburrow. Can you help? Call him now on 01908 678151

Oldbrook £57,000

• Shared ownership
• Four bedrooms
• Gas to radiator heating
• Double glazing
• Rear garden

Kingsmead £214,500

• Four bedroom townhouse
• Double glazed
• Gas radiator heating
• En suite to master bedroom
• 1st floor lounge
• Kitchen/diner
• No upper chain

Tinkers Bridge OIEO £85,000

• Three Bedrooms
• Much improved
• Cloakroom
• Kitchen
• Lounge
• Dining Room
• Bathroom
• Gardens

Willen OIEO £270,000

• 4 Bedrooms
• Kitchen • Utility room
• Cloakroom
• Dining Room • Lounge
• Family Bathroom • En-suite
• Gardens • Detached Double Garage

Giffard Park £269,995

• Four bedroom detached property
• Gas to radiator heating
• Double glazing
• Off road parking and gardens
• Lounge
• Kitchen
• Dining room
• Conservatory
• En-suite to master bedroom
• Gardens and garage

Two Mile Ash OIEO £300,000

• Four Bedrooms
• Detached property
• Cloakroom
• Three Reception rooms
• Kitchen/breakfast Room
• Study
• En-suite
• Gardens

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Westcroft £112,500

* Two Bedroom Apartment
* Ground Floor
* Entrance Hall
* Lounge
* Kitchen
* Family Bathroom
* No Upper Chain

Westcroft £250,000

* Four Bedrooms
* Lounge
* Conservatory
* Dining Room
* Kitchen
* Utility Room
* En-Suite
* Bathroom

Rivers £134,995

* Three Bedrooms
* Mid-Terrace
* Central Heating
* Kitchen
* Lounge
* Utility Room
* Bathroom
*Tel 01908 370861

Rivers £154,995

* Semi Detached Property
* Three Bedrooms
* Gas Radiator
* Conservatory
* Double Glazed
* Garage and Garden
* Off Road Parking
* Must be Viewed

URGENTLY REQUIRED THREE / BEDS IN WESTCROFT

Grange Farm £384,950

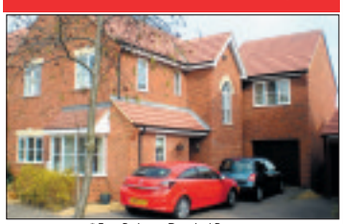
* Five Bedrooms
* Cloakroom
* Study
* Separate Reception Rooms
* Utility Room
* Ensuite
* Family bathroom
* Garden

Great Brickhill £249,995

* Lounge
* Dining Room
* Kitchen
* Bathroom
* Ensuite
* Front and Rear Garden

MR D IS A FIRST TIME BUYER LOOKING FOR A THREE BEDROOM PROPERTY IN BLETCHLEY UP TO £135,000 CAN YOU HELP

Westcroft OIEO £300,000



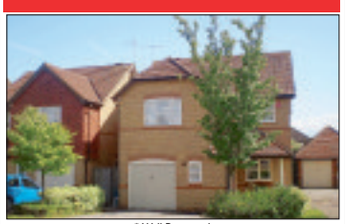
* Four Bedroom Detached Property
* In Our Opinion Well Presented
* Separate Reception Rooms
* Utility Room
* Master Bedroom with En-Suite
* Dressing Room
* Garage
* Internal Viewing Highly Recommended

URGENTLY REQUIRED THREE / FOUR BEDS IN GRANGE FARM

Counties O.I.E.O. £140,000

* An Extremely Well Presented
* Three Bedroom
* Terraced Property
* Gas Central Heating
* Double Glazing
* Conservatory
* Viewing Highly Recommended

Racecourses £265,000



* Well Presented
* Four Bedroom
* Detached Property
* Gas Central Heating
* Double Glazing
* Cul-De-Sac Location
* No Upper Chain
* Viewing is Highly Recommended

Furzton £189,995

* Three Bedrooms
* Semi- Detached
* Cloakroom
* Lounge
* Kitchen / Diner
* Bathroom
* Front and Rear Garden
* Utility Room

Emerson Valley £174,995

* Three Bedroom Property
* Terraced
* Double Glazing
* Lounge
* Kitchen/Diner
* Bathroom
* Front & Rear Gardens
* Garage

Drayton Road £159,995

* Two/Three Bedrooms
* Semi-detached Bungalow
* Central Heating
* Double Glazing
* Loft Conversion
* Sitting Room
* Cloakroom
* Bathroom

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* Three bedroom semi detached
* Three reception rooms
* Kitchen and utility
* Downstairs Cloakroom
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Bradville Guide Price £100,000

• Two Bedroom Property
• Kitchen/Diner
• Upstairs Bathroom
• Rear Garden
• No Upper Chain

Stony Stratford £214,995

• Three bedroom terraced property
• Victorian Property
• Shower room and bathroom
• Rear garden
• Must be viewed

Stony Stratford Offers over £199,995

• Three Bedrooms
• Lounge
• Kitchen/Diner
• Utility Room
• Cloakroom
• Gardens
• Off Road Parking
• Must Be Viewed!!!

Haversham Guide Price £239,995

• Four Bedroom
• Semi-Detached Home
• Downstairs Bedroom With Bathroom
• Double Glazing
• Gas Radiator Heating
• Garden and Off Road Parking
• Must Be Viewed!

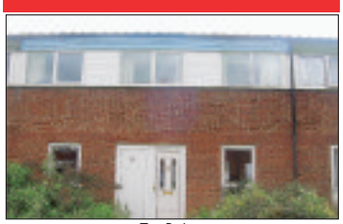
Two Mile Ash £165,000

• Well Presented
• Three/Four Bedroom
• Link Detached
• Gas Radiator Heating
• Conservatory
• Garage and Garden

Hartwell £199,995

• Extended • Three Bedroom
• Detached Property
• A Cul-De-Sac Location
• Double Glazing
• Two Reception Rooms
• Garage and Garden
• Viewing Recommended

Wolverton Guide Price £104,995



• Two Bedroom
• Terraced Home
• Lounge/Diner
• Double Glazing
• Gas Radiator Heating
• Rear Garden
• Viewing Recommended

Bancroft Park Guide Price £209,995

• Three Bedroom • Detached Property
• Gas Radiator Heating
• Double Glazing
• Front and Rear Gardens
• Off Road Parking • Garage
• No Upper Chain

Hartwell £374,995

• Individual and Extensively Extended
• Detached Residence
• Four Double Bedrooms
• Refitted Kitchen
• Workshop • Countryside Views
• Internal Viewing Is Essential To Fully Appreciate This Property

Two Mile Ash £299,995

• Four Bedrooms
• Dining Room
• Kitchen Breakfast Room
• Lounge
• Front and Rear Gardens
• Garage

Bradville £234,995

• Very Well Presented • Four Bedroom
• Detached Property • Separate Receptions
• Refitted Bathroom
• Gas Radiator Heating • Double Glazing
• Loft Conversion Which Is Bed 4
• Conservatory • Gardens
• Viewing Is Highly Recommended

New Bradwell Guide Price £139,995

• Three Bedroom
• Mid-Terraced Home
• Gas Radiator Heating • Double Glazing
• Utility Room • Rear Garden
• Loft Conversion
• Must Be Viewed!

Deanshanger £280,000

• Four bedrooms
• Detached
• Over three floors
• Lounge
• Kitchen/Diner
• Two cloakrooms
• Conservatory

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Newport Pagnell £174,995

• Two bedroom detached bungalow
• Lounge
• Kitchen
• Lobby
• Shower room
• Front and Rear gardens
• Single garage

Newport Pagnell £169,995

• 3 Bedrooms
• Lounge/Diner
• Kitchen
• Bathroom
• Tel 01908 611966

Olney £155,000

• Two Bedrooms
• Lounge
• Refiited Kitchen/Diner
• Family Bathroom
• Front and rear gardens
• Allocated parking spaces

Stoke Goldington £250,000

• Four bedrooms
• Detached home
• Very well presented
• Double glazing
• Gas to radiator heating
• Front & rear gardens
• Single garage
• Carport

Astwood £450,000

• Five Bedrooms
• Lounge
• Dining Room
• Bathroom
• Two En-suites
• Study
• Double Garage
• Tel 01908 611966

Turvey £179,995

• Three Bedrooms
• Lounge/Diner
• Kitchen
• Bathroom
• Front and Rear Gardens
• Integral Garage
• Village Location
• 01234 713333

Olney £185,950

• Three bedrooms
• Lounge/Kitchen
• Bathroom
• Versatile accommodation
• Internal viewing recommended

Salford £279,995

• 1930's semi detached home
• Three bedrooms
• Kitchen/breakfast room
• Lounge and dining room
• Gardens with log cabin
• Garage and off road parking

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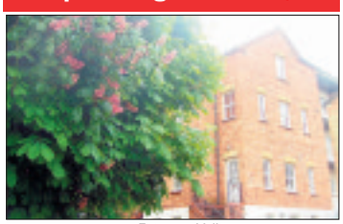
Newport Pagnell £104,995

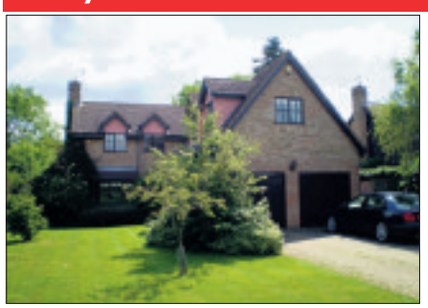


• Entrance Hall
• Bedroom
• Lounge
• Kitchen
• Off Road Parking
• Tel No 01908 611966

Newport Pagnell £194,995

• Three Bedroom Semi Detached
• Kitchen and Dining room
• Lounge
• Conservatory
• Front and Rear Gardens
• Tel 01908 611966

Turvey Guide price £399,950



• 5 Bedrooms Detached
• Study & Cloakroom
• Lounge & Dining Room
• Kitchen
• Utility & En-suite
• Front & Rear Gardens
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Central Milton Keynes £895pcm

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Broughton £695pcm

Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer this two double bedroom property situated in the popular area of Broughton. The property is offered furnished and is available in July. Please call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924!

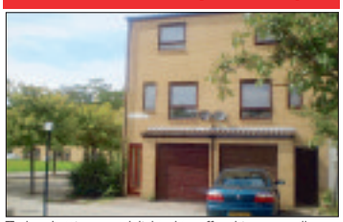
Oxley Park £695pcm

Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer for rent this very unique one bedroom three storey property briefly comprising of kitchen/diner, cloakroom, first floor landing, lounge with Juliet style balcony, study/cot room, second floor landing, bedroom, bathroom and a front garden. The property is part furnished and available at the beginning of November.

Campbell Park £795pcm

Taylors Residential Lettings are delighted to offer this stunning penthouse apartment, situated in the much sought after area of Campbell Park. The property is unfurnished and available immediately. Must be seen!

Central Milton Keynes £895pcm



Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer this very well presented three double bedroom property situated in Central Milton Keynes. The property is offered part-furnished and is available immediately. Ideally it would suit professional sharers. Please call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924 to arrange a viewing

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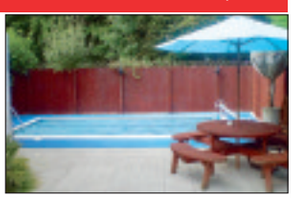
Emerson Valley £950pcm

Taylors Lettings are Delighted to offer for rent this 4 bedroom detached property, Situated in the much sought after 'Emerson Valley' area of Milton Keynes. The Property is Unfurnished and available immediately. Please call the lettings Team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Kents Hill £1,150pcm

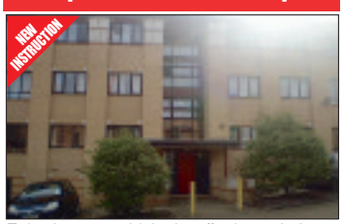
Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer for rent this 'Superb' four bedroom detached property, Situated in the popular 'Kents Hill' location of Milton Keynes. The property is available immediately and is unfurnished. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Emerson Valley £1,950



Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer this executive five double bedroom property located in the much sought after area of Emerson Valley. The property boasts four reception rooms, two ensuites and a swimming pool. It is offered with optional furnishing and is available with 4 weeks notice. This type of property rarely becomes available so call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924 to avoid disappointment!

Campbell Park £725pcm



Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer this two bedroom first floor apartment located in the popular area of Campbell Park. The property has had a full refurbishment with new carpets, bathroom and kitchen. The property is offered unfurnished and is available immediately. Call the Lettings Team now on 01908 393924 to arrange a viewing

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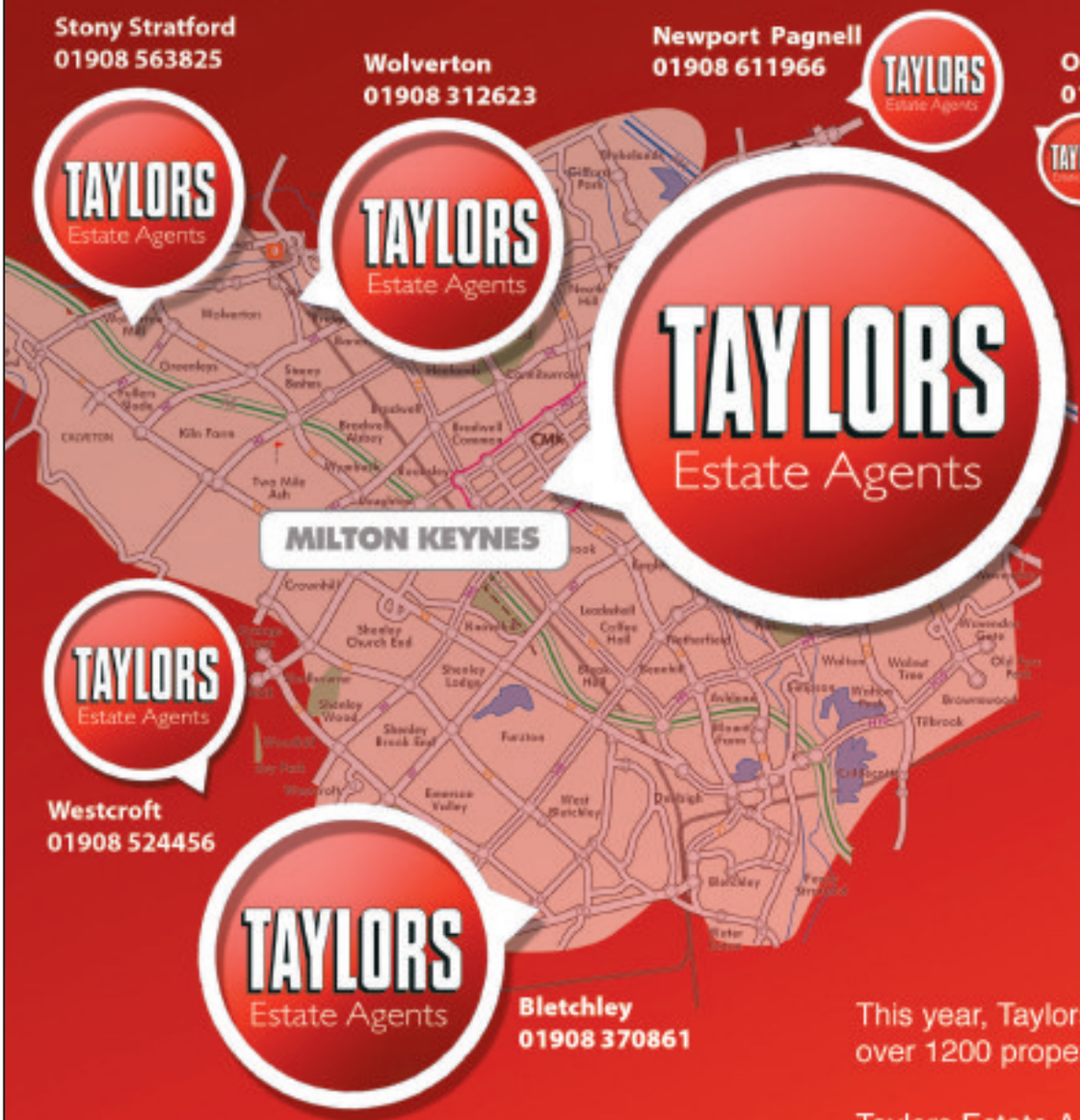

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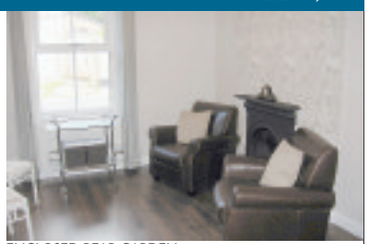

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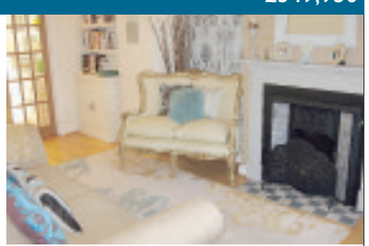

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VIEW BY APPOINTMENT ONLY Ref: 6340

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Situated on a much established development is this link detached house comprising entrance hall, lounge, kitchen/diner, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, gardens, garage with driveway and parking for an additional two vehicles to the side.

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Two Mile Ash OIEO £190,000

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VIEW TO APPRECIATE Ref: 6500

New Bradwell OIEO £125,000

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VIEW! VIEW! VIEW! Ref: 6307

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PICK UP THE PHONE AND CALL Ref: 6498

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VIEW BY APPOINTMENT Ref: 6526

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Offered for sale with no above chain is this superb four bedroom semi detached town house with a garage and gardens to the side and rear. Spacious accommodation set over three floors and with the added benefit of a family bathroom and a large shower room

DO NOT MISS OUT Ref: 6255

Conniburrow OIEO £160,000

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VIEW TO APPRECIATE Ref: 6516

Giffard Park £225,000

Situated on the much desirable and established Giffard Park development is this extended three bedroom link detached house. The property features a UPVC conservatory, en-suite to master bedrooms, refitted kitchen and separate reception rooms.

PHONE HAART NOW! Ref: 6557

Peartree Bridge OIEO £155,000

A spacious three bedroom mid terraced town house over looking the Grand Union Canal to the front. The property has a great size modern kitchen/diner and is in good decorative order throughout. Viewing is highly recommended.

MAKE AN APPOINTMENT Ref: 6497

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MUST BE SEEN Ref: 6518

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BY APPOINTMENT ONLY Ref: 6520

Wolverton Mill £219,500

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CALL HAART TODAY Ref: 6513

Oldbrook OIEO £180,000

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VIEWING RECOMMENDED Ref: 6532

Coffee Hall OIEO £135,000

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MAKE THAT APPOINTMENT Ref: 6418

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VIEW! VIEW! VIEW! Ref: 6475

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MAKE THAT VIEWING Ref: 6517

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- Dining Room
- Kitchen
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- Bathroom

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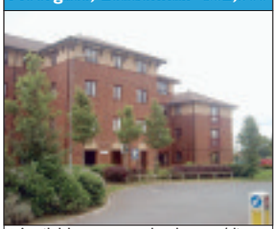

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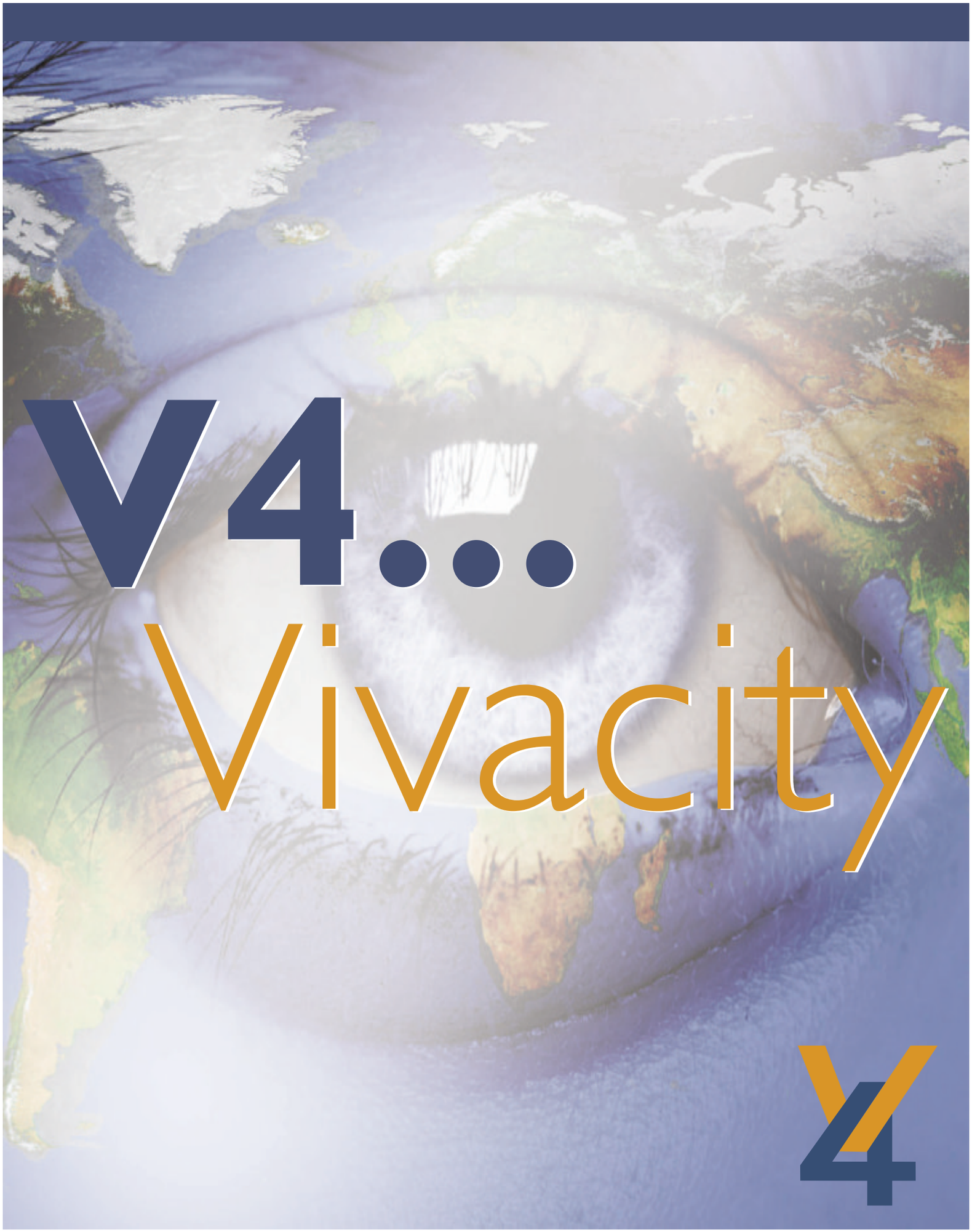
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MK staying strong in current downturn

FINANCIERS believe that Milton Keynes has fared better in the recession than London.

That is according to a survey undertaken in the city, which shows that 80 per cent of leading finance figures believe the regions have performed better during the economic crisis.

Finance and recruiting firm Robert Half did its research in Milton Keynes, Manchester, Bristol and Birmingham.

In fact, 37.5 per cent of the businesses surveyed believed they would coming out of the recession stronger than when they entered it.

Phil Sheridan, MD of Robert Half UK, said: "Internal mobility within the UK is on the increase as candidates with families to support and mortgages to pay are more open to relocation than before.

"The experience that these professionals can bring to regions like Milton Keynes is crucial to the growth of the UK economy as a whole, especially those who have come from a fast-paced financial background and have transferable skill sets."

Door repair firm seeing off its third recession

A DOOR repair company which has survived three recessions is celebrating 35 years in business.

Stanair Industrial Door Services was set up in 1974 in a private home in Kettering, as one of the country's first specialist industrial door repair companies.

Now it has four depots across the country, including one in Bradville, Milton Keynes.

Sheena Markham, finance director, started at the company in 1976.

She said: "The statistics say that only one in three businesses make it past their third year trading, so we are delighted to be celebrating 35 years.

"We have grown steadily and slowly since 1974 by focusing on service and quality for customers, and consistently investing in our staff.

Michael Markham (managing director) and Martin Wall (marketing director) of Stanair Industrial Door Services

"This is our third recession! Anyone who is setting up their own business in these difficult times should focus on business."

Stanair is a company which can be called out 24 hours a day and responds like an emergency service to make industrial doors secure or operational.

It has recently won both the National Training Award and continues to hold the Investors in People award. It also supports the local community.

Hardware store moves into the kitchen business

A STONY Stratford business is bucking the trend by growing during the recession.

For over 200 years the Odell family have seen good and bad economic times.

But during this downturn, the hardware store owners are investing in a new venture, opening the Kitchen Cupboard cookshop next door.

Owner Richard Odell said: "We were completely blown away by response to the opening. We saw three times the expected number of visitors and sales, and were very touched that our customers were not only interested enough to come and see us, but that they bought as well. The first sale was an Emma Bridgewater tea pot, a range which already seems to be proving very popular."

For more than six months the Odell family have been researching cookshops. They are now hoping their store will encourage even more visitors to the town.

Towards the end of September, they will then open the Odell's Yard development, a courtyard of interesting, independent retail shops and a restaurant set in historic renovated outbuildings which were once used for ironmongery, including blacksmithing and tin smithing.

Anyone who wants more information on the units can call Richard Odell on 01908 562146.

City man in running for best barista title

A CITY man is in the running for the title of Britain's best barista.

Phil Newberry, from the Costa coffee shop in thecentre: MK, Sunset Walk, has stolen the coffee crown at the Home Counties heat of Costa's prestigious annual Barista of The Year Competition.

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Mr Newberry said: "Coffee is always on top of my agenda. It's not just about making the perfect coffee in every way, it's about creating a piece of artwork. The judges were impressed with the way I engaged with the audience along with my speed and personality as well as my passion for coffee excellence."

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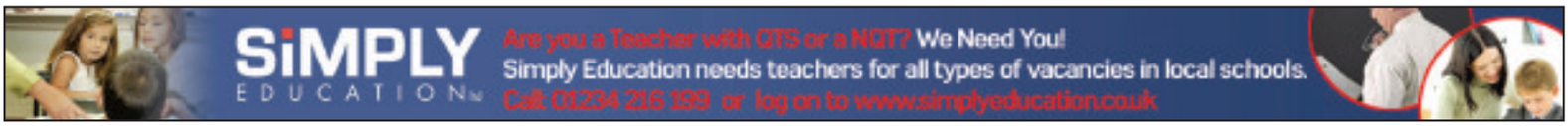

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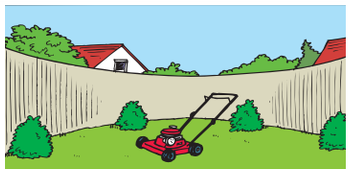

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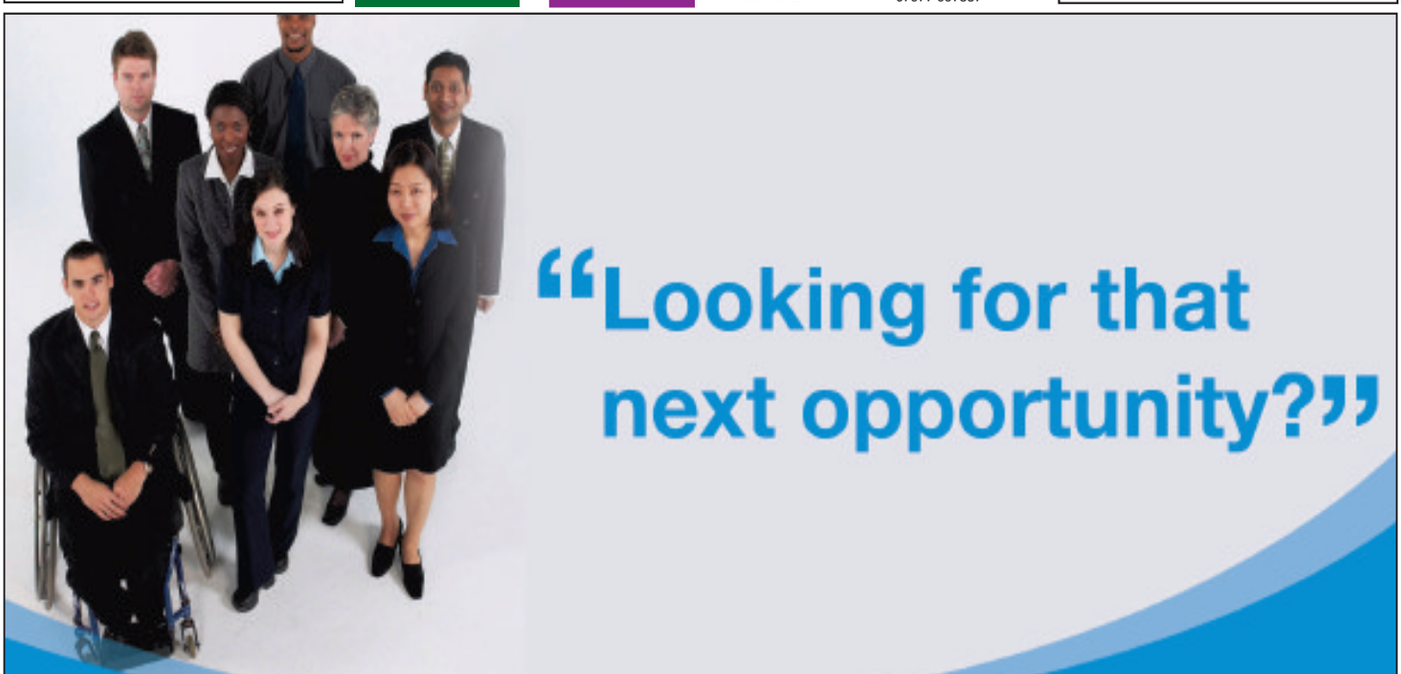

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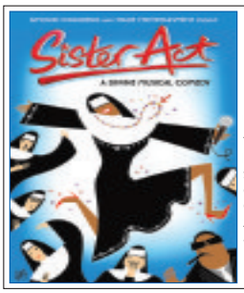

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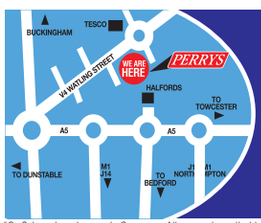

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15 Swindon	(A)	0-0
18 Tranmere	(A)	1-0
22 Colchester	(H)	2-1
29 Exeter	(A)	

September

05 Huddersfield	(H)
12 Norwich	(H)
19 Wycombe	(A)
26 Leeds	(H)
29 Oldham	(A)

October

03 Brighton	(A)
10 Walsall	(H)
17 Gillingham	(H)
24 Southampton	(A)
31 Bristol Rovers	(H)

November

14 Charlton	(A)
21 Southend	(A)
24 Carlisle	(H)

December

01 Millwall	(A)
05 Yeovil	(H)
12 Leyton Orient	(A)
19 Brentford	(H)
26 Stockport	(H)
28 Huddersfield	(A)

January

02 Colchester	(A)
09 Swindon	(H)
16 Hartlepool	(A)
23 Tranmere	(H)
30 Exeter	(H)

February

06 Stockport	(A)
13 Carlisle	(A)
20 Southend	(H)
23 Millwall	(H)
27 Yeovil	(A)

March

06 Leyton Orient	(H)
13 Brentford	(A)
20 Southampton	(H)
27 Gillingham	(A)

April

03 Charlton	(H)
05 Bristol Rovers	(A)
10 Norwich	(A)
13 Oldham	(H)
17 Wycombe	(H)
24 Leeds	(A)

May

01 Brighton	(H)
08 Walsall	(A)

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Mark Carrington slides home the winner after rounding Colchester keeper Ben Williams and avoiding the late lunge of Alan Maybury

Carrington puts stop to U's unbeaten run

MK DONS 2

Puncheon 22 (pen), Carrington 58

COLCHESTER UNITED 1

Vernon 69

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WINNING goalscorer Mark Carrington reckons things can only get better at MK Dons.

The message came after recording their first victory at stadiummk this season, against a Colchester team who had a 100 per cent record and were top of the table prior to kick-off.

In spells, particularly the first-half, the Dons dominated the manager-less U's but they were still made to work hard for the three points.

The U's became the first side to breach the Dons defence in League One when Scott Vernon's 69th minute header bounced beyond the grasp of Willy Gueret.

But the visitors should have found the net much earlier and had threatened to on numerous occasions with Ashley Vincent and Vernon both guilty of wasting opportunities.

Instead it was the Dons who opened the scoring when Jermaine Easter netted from the penalty spot following Pat Baldwin's foul on the striker.

At times Jemal Johnson and Jason Puncheon were unstoppable as they glided round the pitch with ease, causing the U's defenders all sorts of nightmares.

And it is the likes of Easter, Puncheon, Johnson and Luke Chadwick who hold the key to the Dons' success this season, with Carrington certain there is no better forward line.

He said: "I don't think you could name many better strikers than we've got throughout the league. They've all got goals in them so I think it should be a good season for them."

Despite their freedom, the Dons' second goal came from an unlikely source when Carrington nicked the ball in midfield and rounded keeper Ben Williams.

Paul Ince's side then eased off slightly, just as the U's began to hunt down a way back into the match.

A pathway appeared when Vernon pulled one back, and Kem Izzet should have earned Colchester a point six minuted from time, only to blast his close-range shot high into the stands.

Former Crewe midfielder Carrington then warned the rest of League One: "I don't think we've hit top form yet either and there's still a lot more to come so I think it's exciting times ahead."

MK DONS: Gueret, McCracken (c), Gleeson, Easter (Baldock 86), Johnson (Ibehre 68), Carrington, Woodards, Puncheon, Davis, Howell, Chadwick (Doumbe 68). Booked: Johnson, Gueret, Howell, Gleeson, Ibehre

COLCHESTER UNITED: Williams, Beevers (Maybury 28), Okuonghae, Baldwin (c), Vincent, Izzet, Hackney (Perkins 63), Fox, Lisbie, Tierney, Vernon (Thomas 79). Booked: Vincent

Referee: Keith Stroud (Hampshire)

Attendance: 8,633

LEAGUE ONE TABLE

		P	HOME W	D	L	F	A	AWAY W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Charlton	4	2	0	0	5	2	2	0	0	4	1	6	12
2	Leeds United	4	2	0	0	5	1	2	0	0	3	1	6	12
3	Colchester	4	2	0	0	4	2	1	0	1	8	3	7	9
4	Bristol Rovers	4	1	0	1	2	2	2	0	0	4	1	3	9
5	Brentford	4	1	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	4	2	3	8
6	MK Dons	4	1	1	0	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	2	8
7	Huddersfield	4	2	0	0	10	2	0	1	1	2	3	7	7
8	Millwall	4	1	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	1	2	6
9	Yeovil	4	1	1	0	5	3	0	1	1	2	3	1	5
10	Exeter	4	0	2	0	2	2	1	0	1	2	2	0	5
11	Oldham	4	0	2	0	2	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	5
12	Swindon	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	7	-4	5
13	Southend	4	0	2	0	2	2	0	2	0	3	3	0	4
14	Leyton Orient	4	0	0	2	2	4	1	1	0	5	4	-1	4
15	Stockport	4	0	0	2	1	4	1	1	0	4	2	-1	4
16	Walsall	4	0	1	1	3	4	1	0	1	1	2	-2	4
17	Carlisle	4	0	0	2	1	4	1	1	0	2	1	-2	4
18	Hartlepool	4	0	0	2	1	4	1	1	0	1	0	-2	4
19	Norwich	4	1	0	1	6	9	0	1	1	2	3	-4	4
20	Gillingham	4	1	0	1	5	1	0	0	2	3	6	1	3
21	Tranmere	4	1	0	1	4	3	0	0	2	0	5	-4	3
22	Wycombe	4	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	2	4	8	-5	1
23	Brighton	4	0	0	2	2	5	0	1	1	1	7	-9	1
24	Southampton	4	0	2	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	4	-3	-8

COMING UP

EXETER CITY

League One
Saturday, August 29
St James' Park KO 3pm

PAUL Tisdale's Grecians play host to MK Dons for the first time.

Newley promoted Exeter have enjoyed a decent start to League One bouncing back from an opening day defeat to Leeds with wins against Norwich and Yeovil.

At the weekend they also collected three points from their long trip to Carlisle.

Meanwhile, the Dons will be looking to extend their unbeaten run in the league to five.

Defender Dean Lewington (head) is likely to be back in contention, while Jabo Ibehre will hope he has proved enough match fitness to start the match.

DAGENHAM & REDBRIDGE

Johnstone's Paint Trophy
Tuesday, Sept 1
stadiummk KO 7pm

DURING Paul Ince's first spell in charge in 2007/08 the club went on to lift the Johnstone's Paint Trophy at Wembley.

It might not be quite so high up on the list of priorities but the Dons will still be looking for victory against the Daggers.

John Still's League Two high-flyers have begun the season in fine fashion and, along with promotion favourites Notts County, are top four games.

If the score is level after 90 minutes, the game will be decided on penalties. There in no extra time.

VIEW FROM THE MOOCAMP

Puncheon picked

JASON Puncheon has been named in the League One team of the week.

The tricky winger is relishing his role as a second striker at stadiummk and dazzled in the winning display against Colchester United.

Team of the Week in full: Fraser Forster (Bristol Rovers), Jason Crewe (Leeds), Matthew Taylor (Exeter), Danny Coles (Bristol Rovers), Peter Hartley (Hartlepool), Jason Puncheon (MK Dons), Dean Hammond (Southampton), Carl Baker (Stockport), Bradley Johnson (Leeds), Grant Holt (Norwich), Jonathan Obika (Yeovil).

Nice little earner

THE Football League have published the annual Agents' Fees Report for 2008/09.

In total clubs in the Football League paid £8.8million to agents during July,1, 2008 and June, 30, 2009 – cutting the cost by £2.3m compared to the previous year.

During that period MK Dons, managed by Roberto Di Matteo at the time, made 12 new registrations and transfers, updated eight contracts, cancelled four and made five loans.

Most of the Dons' costs accrued during the January, 1, 2009 to June, 30, 2009 period.

In total the Dons spent £77,500 on agents fees.

Point made

MK Dons Under-18s took a point from their opening fixture against Stoke City in the Premier Academy League.

Mike Dove's side came from behind to take the lead, only for Stoke to snatch a second-half equaliser.

Home side Stoke took the lead with 15 minutes on the clock through Adam Vickers, but Igor Coronado levelled after good play by Charlie Collins and Harry Milton.

Seven minutes after the break Troy Farden put the Dons in front when he finished off a long cross from Flanagan.

Yet the Potters ensured a draw on the 69th minute when Matt Cohen's header found the back of the net.

Director of Youth Dove said: "It was a very positive performance against a good Stoke side, but it took us some time to get going early-on.

"We needed to show a bit more belief in each other to play the right pass in the opening stages and once we started to do that we played some excellent football.

"Building on our pre-season games, it was some of the best football this group has played and that should give us plenty of confidence."

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Flecknell ton sees Bray champs

CRICKET

Morrants Four Counties Division One

EATON Bray have been crowned champions after beating Winslow Town by 119 runs.

James Flecknell hit an unbeaten century as Eaton Bray set 235-3 for Winslow Town to chase.

And with Gary Ellerton claiming 3-28 to dismiss Winslow for 116 it didn't take long to confirm Eaton Bray as champions.

At the other end Old Bradwell had their relegation to division two confirmed.

In a dramatic match the side lost by one run to Newport Pagnell.

It was Newport Pagnell's first win of the season, and it has given them a glimmer of hope of avoiding relegation themselves. To avoid the drop Newport will need Aspley Guise to slip up.

Aspley Guise managed to hold out for an important draw at Milton Keynes City.

City set a big total of 228-8, with Raj Lall hitting 123, for Aspley to chase.

But Aspley Guise dug in their heels to reach 194-8 and clinch a draw.

Second placed New Bradwell lost to sixth placed Elstow by six wickets.

New Bradwell were all out for 138 as Matt Lee (5-18) and Dan Course (3-35) tore into the batting line-up.

Dave Riddle (57) and Phil Johnson (46no) guided Elstow to the win.

Cublington drew with North Crawley to stay in fourth place.

Tim Taylor (47) and Adam Goldberg (43) helped Cublington reach 215-7.

In response Richard Bryce notched up 67 as Crawley (186-9) clung on for a share of the points.

Cherwell League Division One

BLETCHLEY Town suffered a 69 run defeat at title chasing Horspath, despite being in the driving seat at half way.

After winning the toss and inserting their hosts in to bat Bletchley took control thanks to the superb bowling of James Sprittles.

The bowler took 5-37 from his 15.4 overs, and he was supported by Mark Roberts (3-30) and Ed Packard (2-19) as Horspath were dismissed for 113.

Bletchley's reply got off to a bad start when they lost two early wickets leaving them struggling at 6-2. It triggered a collapse that saw the visitors lose six wickets for six runs as the Horspath opening pair of Lee Mason and Will Eason ran riot. Bletchley were staring down the barrel at 22-8 in danger of a record low score.

James Ward (18no) showed some fight but Bletchley were dismissed for 44 – their lowest ever league total.

Northants Premier League

STONY Stratford suffered a nine wicket defeat to Finedon Dolben.

Without skipper Dion Ebrahim Stony posted 160. Six batsmen got in to double figures with Mihir Choksi (37) and Kieran Price (35) leading the way.

Finedon's Tom Brett finished with figures of 33-7, while Tim Roberts, Andy Roberts and Will Sneath took the remaining wickets.

Finedon raced to victory as Greg Evans smashed an unbeaten 56, which included ten fours, and Clint Tomlinson hit a quick fire 64 from 44 balls.

Gary Herbert (30) was the only wicket to fall as Finedon eased to the win.

Ooh la la – Renault engines fail Bulls

MOTOR RACING

A THIRD retirement of the season has not curbed Sebastian Vettel's determination to win the World Championship.

The German driver should have moved even closer to leader Jenson Button, but he was left further behind as an engine failure ended his European Grand Prix early.

Vettel's retirement capped a miserable weekend for Tilbrook-based Red Bull Racing as Brawn GP regained the top two spots in the driver's championship.

There was a level of expectation resting on Vettel's shoulders after qualifying in fourth place but 24 laps in things started to go wrong.

And according to F1 rules Vettel must use just one engine for the remaining six races.

Speaking after the race Vettel said: "The biggest problem today was the first stop. We weren't able to get fuel in the car, so we had to come in again.

"We were lucky to make it back for a second stop. The race was lost already at that point but then, a couple of laps on, I had a problem with the engine and I had to retire."

He added: "It's not good. In terms of the Championship, I will fight until the last breath, but it's not good to have retired when you're hunting and want to get more points than your opponent."

Need a push? Red Bull's Vettel is helped by marshalls after his engine failed in Valencia

Red Bull's engines are supplied by Renault, and principal engineer Fabrice Lom was more than apologetic for the failures.

He said: "This race ended a nightmare weekend for us. We had two engine failures on Sebastian's car, so it's a black weekend. I can only apologise to Red Bull Racing and Sebastian in particular for this reliability issue and assure them that we will work as hard as possible to ensure it doesn't happen again."

On top of that team mate Mark Webber, who started the weekend at the Valencia track in second place in the championship, also finished outside the points.

Rubens Barrichello went flying round the track, and Webber, starting and finishing in ninth place, said it was the lack of pace that cost him.

He said: I've been struggling all weekend and I think I got the result I deserved, which was no points, unfortunately."

British long jump record goes in qualifier

ATHLETICS

A BRITISH record fell at the World Championships, held in Germany during the past two weeks, but you would be forgiven for not noticing.

As Usain Bolt stole the limelight again, for all the right reasons, and the world talked about women's 800 metres winner Caster Semenya, for all the wrong reasons, there were also four MK athletes in Berlin.

But only two featured during the athletics World Championship, one of whom broke the British long jump record.

Greg Rutherford made his opponents sit up and take notice of him in the qualifying round.

The 22-year-old starred with a jump of 8.30m, an improvement by one centre metre on Rutherford's training partner Chris Tomlinson's record, who was also at the competition.

Unfortunately for Rutherford he was unable to reach the same distance in the final.

But Rutherford had to fight for his spot in the long jump with 7.83m and 7.96m in the first and second round.

It meant the Marshall Milton Keynes Athletics Club member relied on the third jump to make the cut for the final.

And when he was flagged for a foul it spelled heartbreak, but Rutherford had other ideas.

He disputed the decision as his 'foul' had not made an imprint on the take-off board plasticine.

After much deliberation with judges, and plenty of television replays, Rutherford's appeal was rejected. But sat in seventh place thanks to his 7.96m, Rutherford progressed through to the final when Olympic champion Saladino failed to make the cut with a foul on his last jump.

In the final Rutherford improved to 8.17m, but it was still some distance from reaching the podium.

Dwight Phillips took gold with 8.54m, Godfrey Khotso Mokoena silver with 8.47m and Mitchell Watt grabbed bronze with 8.37m.

Rutherford said: "I'm pleased I jumped 8.17m. I showed I could jump progressively further through the rounds so it's not a total disaster for me. I came here with a season's best of 8.06m and I still managed fifth in the world."

Mervyn Luckwell also missed out on a medal at the Championships in the javelin. The 24-year-old got caught in the torrential downpour in Berlin as he prepared to make his Word Championship debut.

The javelin competition was delayed due to the weather, and when Luckwell was able to throw it was well below his best.

His personal best stands at 81.05meteres but Luckwell only managed a best throw of 66.30m from his three attempts.

Luckwell said: "I'm pretty disappointed with my distances out there - I didn't throw at all well.

"My technique was really ropey and the distance told on that."

Craig Pickering and Chris Clarke were part of the 60-strong GB squad but did not make the cut for the men's 4x100m and 4x400m respectively.

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Turner prize

EMERGING MK Lions star Harry Turner has made history as part of the England Basketball team which reached third place in the U16 European Championships.

Beating Slovenia 78-63 in a tense play-off to seal the bronze, the tournament finish is the best result ever recorded by an England basketball team.

The youngsters bounced back after the disappointment of missing out on a final place to Denmark with some impressive three-point shooting helping them to establish victory.

To round off an impressive tournament Turner came on in the second period to help England's breakaway, putting six points on the board.

Snow tour

THE 2009 British Snowboard and Freeski Tour slides into Milton Keynes next month to host the British Indoor Big Air Championships and Schools Tour Programme.

The action-packed tour will stop off at Walton High and Lord Grey School on September, 17 and 18, before heading over to Milton Keynes SNO!zone, on Saturday, September 19.

Over 300 of the UK's top snowboarders and skiers, including local rippers, Laura Berry, James Carr and Amber Connors will descend upon Milton Keynes SNO!zone to compete in the British Indoor Big Air Championships.

The schools tour programme which runs alongside the Snow Tour will hold high impact presentations at each school to inspire more local youngsters to get active with snow-sports.

Pitch party

BLETCHLEY Rugby Club's pre-season friendly against Old Northamptonians was a competitive affair.

Old Northamptonians came away 15-12 victors.

Bletchley took the lead when centre Matt Nobes crashed over the line, and Phil Harman added the conversion.

But Old Northamptonians came back into the match with their own converted try, and they were soon in the lead when the flyhalf kicked a penalty.

Late on in the game Bletchley regained the lead following Chris Coussell's try but Harman missed the kick.

With eight minutes remaining Old Northamptonians stole a late victory when they drove over the line.

On Saturday Bletchley hold their annual Party on the Pitch event at Manor Fields, and trial matches will also be played at 3pm.

Vettel extends

RED Bull Racing have announced Sebastian Vettel has extended his contract until the end of 20011, with an for 2012.

Twenty two-year-old Vettel is a graduate of the Red Bull Junior Team, which he joined at the age of 12. He has already won two Grand Prix this year, in China and the UK, bringing his GP win total to three.

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Cricket climax – see page 83

BASKETBALL

Old man New back with Lions

MK Lions' longest serving player is returning for the 2009/10 British Basketball League season.

Captain Dru Spinks has signed up for his 12th year with the Marshall MK Lions, while assistant coach Mike New has also confirmed his return.

Spinks, a former England international, lifted the club's first trophy in 2008 and is keen to do the same this season.

He said: "I am convinced we let it slip by last season, and enter this season with a real desire .

"The club is growing fast and we need to match that on the court."

The forward played many positions for the Lions last season and averaged seven points and 3.5 rebounds.

Coach Vince Macaulay was delighted to see his skipper re-sign, he said: "We can put him on practically any player and he will do a great job of slowing them down, this season is a big one for Dru and I am excited for him."

Meanwhile, New, a graduate of New Mexico State University, will enter his fourth year with the Lions.

The 6ft 9ins fans favourite combined his role as player and assistant coach with his role as academy director last season.

And even at the ripe age of 41-years-old Macualay thinks New can still do a job for the Lions.

He said: "Mike is a true professional, he and I felt there was some unfinished business from last season, we weren't happy with certain things and decided on one last go round, I am glad to have him back"

The Lions return to action on September, 18 against Team USA Select. The new BBL season starts on Friday, September 25 when the Worcester Wolves visit Bletchley.

Baldock's focus on first team starts

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AN international call-up has not distracted Sam Baldock from his main ambition this season – to be a regular starter for MK Dons.

The striker has been named in England's initial 30-man squad for the FIFA Under-20 World Cup in Egypt next month.

The news comes after a frustrating start to the season for Baldock, who has spent more time on the physio's table than on the pitch.

He came off the bench during the Dons' 2-1 win at home to Colchester on Saturday, to make his first appearance of the campaign following a groin strain.

And while most players would be eyeing up a spot in Brian Eastick's final 21-strong squad, which will be announced on Friday, September 11, Baldock just wants to break back into the Dons' squad.

He said: "I've got to get myself fit and ready before I can think about going off on international duty or anything like that. I want to get fit and get playing and scoring goals for the club here."

Eastwick's decision to name Baldock alongside Premier League starlets like Arsenal's Kieran Gibbs and Jack Wilshere, and Chelsea's Scott Sinclair and Daniel Sturridge is backed up by a superb 2008/09 season from the young striker.

Twenty-year-old Baldock finished as the second highest goal scorer at the club with 13 to his name.

But Baldock, the first player from the academy to feature in the first team, knows he has to replicate, if not better, his performances for Paul Ince.

> My priority is getting in the team here before I can think of anything else. I always feel like I've got something to prove
>
> – Sam Baldock, left

He said: "I think that means nothing now. It might have got me recognised but then I've got to keep the standards up now, if I'm not playing for the Gaffer here then they're not going to be able to see me and so on.

"My priority is getting in the team here before I can think of anything else. I always feel like I've got something to prove.

"I don't really want to go from last year where I made 40-odd appearances to being a bit-time player again. I've got to push on and get myself fit and ready."

And with the likes of Jermaine Easter, Jemal Johnson, Jabo Ibehre, Jason Puncheon and, once fit, Aaron Wilbraham all aiming to squeeze into the starting eleven, Baldock knows he has his work cut out.

He said: "No one can sit back, everyone's got to keep pushing forward, keep working hard, and everyone's encouraging each other in training.

"It inspires people to stay out and do a bit extra after training whereas some people might not have if there place was concrete."

■ Michael Bridges, who joined the Dons at the beginning of the season on a non-contract basis, has been released.

Paralympians recognised with awards

A RETIRED Great Britain paralympian will be recognised at the FSB Women's European Championships for his contribution to wheelchair basketball.

Andy Blake, from Milton Keynes, alongside Colin Price, Jill Fox and Anne Wild will all presented with an award for their contribution to wheelchair basketball after retiring from the national teams last year.

Blake announced his retirement after he captained the men's national team to the bronze medal at last year's Beijing Paralympic Games.

He is one of MK's most successful athletes.

Blake first made his name when he won gold for swimming in his Paralympic debut in 1988, but then moved on to basketball where he was a member of the GB team since 1993.

Having switched sports ten years ago 36-year-old Blake has captained Paralympics GB in Athens, when they won bronze, and at the Beijing Olympics last year.

Blake's former team-mate Colin Price, from Sheffield, also retired after an incredible international career which spanned five Paralympic Games including winning silver in Atlanta 1996.

Another Sheffield player who will receive the award is Jill Fox, she had been part of the women's national team since 1995 and went to four Paralympic Games.

Ann Wild will also be recognised for her commitment to the sport. Wild, from Ilford in Essex, has been playing Wheelchair Basketball since she was 10 years old and first represented GB when she was only 13. She went on to captain the GB side and also took part in five Paralympic games.

All four athletes will receive their Awards at the Women's European Wheelchair Basketball Championships at Stoke Mandeville Stadium, from tomorrow until Sunday.

MK DONS

It's a Family Affair!

MK Dons take on the Daggers at stadiummk!

Tuesday 1st September 2009 Johnstone's Paint Trophy Round 1

MK Dons vs Dagenham & Redbridge

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